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Maud, Year 6

I like being in Mr Lemouchi's class, he is helpful and kind to us all. His lessons are always fun and working with other people for inspiration helps me achieve my best. I got a medal for gymnastics in our school sports ceremony.

Salome, Year 6

Lessons are always fun and exciting in Mr Lemouchi's class. I remember being really pleased when I was in the rugby tournament and we came fourth place. It's when my teacher tells me I can do it that I achieve my best.

Mr Lemouchi Class teacher

When a lesson goes well the children are able to explain what helped them learn. Drama is a fantastic way to build relationships, gain confidence and have fun. Laughter goes hand in hand with learning.

Schools are friendly, inspiring places where everyone - staff, students and visitors are welcome and valued.

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Dear Resident,
We want every child to have the best start in life, giving them the knowledge, grit and confidence to make their way in the world.

We share the aspirations of every parent, that their children receive a good education and are safe, happy and successful. That means working with our schools to raise standards for all their pupils and it means listening to our young people and giving them a voice in all that we do.

We are celebrating the rise in standards across our schools, the achievement of our students and the great teachers who have inspired, encouraged and motivated their students to do well - although we know that there is more to do.

We asked our young people to tell us what is special about their teachers and received a huge and very positive response. See overleaf as we focus on just a few of our great teachers.

Councillor Mark Rusling
Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

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Derin, Year 9

The most special thing about Mrs Guenem is the way she makes every student feel comfortable with her. I value her encouragement, she set me a target that I never thought I would get close to, but with support I beat it.

Mrs Guenem
English teacher

Winning the London Teenage Poetry slam with Year 9 students was one of my most memorable moments as a teacher. Their prize was a week in Chicago. We got to visit an amazing city as well as see Barack Obama elected for the first time.

There is dedication and a sense of community in school that all students and staff share. Being a part of school is being part of something great.

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57%

57 per cent of our GCSE pupils achieved at least five A* to C grades including English and Maths

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See them pedal to the medal

The Tour de France is coming to Waltham Forest along with a host of free, fun events for the whole family

With the Olympic and Paralympic games still fresh in the memory, Waltham Forest is to host yet another world class sporting event this summer when the Tour de France races through the borough on Monday 7 July.

The third stage of the legendary cycle race will see around 220 cyclists entering the borough from Epping via Waterworks roundabout onto Woodford New Road, down Lea Bridge Road, left on to Orient Way and right on to Ruckholt Road towards the Olympic Park.

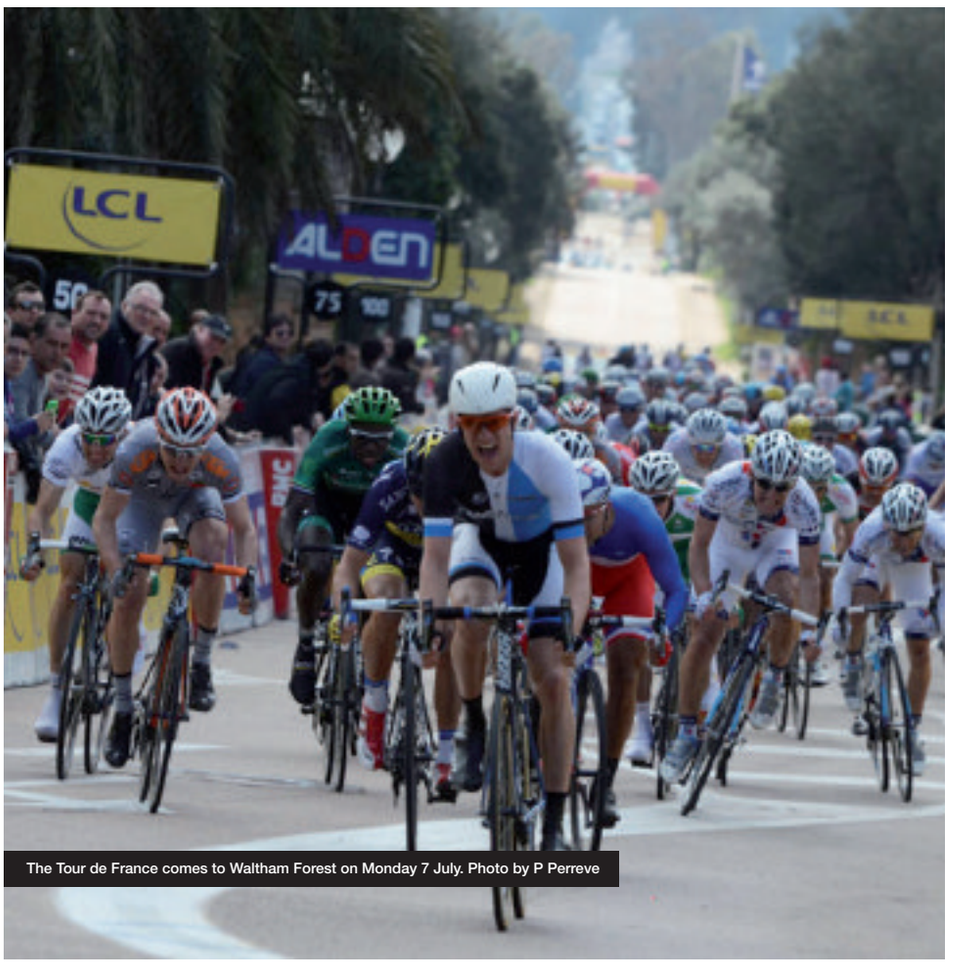
"It's fantastic for Waltham Forest to play host to the Tour and we're looking to make the most of it by laying on a Family Fun Day on the Sunday and a host of celebrations the next day when the cyclists come through," said Chris Robbins, Leader of Waltham Forest Council.

The Family Fun Day, on Sunday 6 July, will take place between 1pm and 6pm at Leyton Jubilee Park (Seymour Road, E10 7BL), and will have a British and French theme influencing both food and entertainment. Sport will include cycling, paralympic cycling, boules, petanque and polo and there will be other activities including a zip line, gyroscopes, pedal karts and a climbing wall.

Key viewing points along the route on the day will be Whipps Cross roundabout, Leyton Green and the Lea Bridge Road/Bakers Arms junction. The whole race will be shown live on a big screen at Whipps Cross roundabout. There will be live music, entertainment and refreshments at Whipps Cross, Leyton Green and at the Bakers Arms/Lea Bridge Road junction.

More info

Residents are urged to take into account disruption throughout the day. Transport for London has pulled together a handy factsheet on some of the travel disruption. For that and all the latest news about the Tour visit **www.tfl.gov.uk/campaign/tour-de-france-2014** or visit the Council website at **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/tourdefrance**



The Tour de France comes to Waltham Forest on Monday 7 July. Photo by P Perreve

Making the grade

Ex-Kelmscott student, Fabrice Muamba, who went on to play professional football made a return visit to the school recently. Pictured, centre, with Kelmscott students

Kelmscott School in Walthamstow wins Educational Outcome Award

It's in the top 12 per cent of schools nationally for pupils making progress

Kelmscott School in Markhouse Road, Walthamstow is celebrating being recognised for the quality of its teaching, after scooping an Educational Outcome Award from The Schools Network (SSAT).

"We're really pleased that a national organisation like SSAT has recognised the good work we're doing," Headteacher Lynnette Parvez told Waltham Forest News.

"It recognises the achievement of all children at Kelmscott and the progress they make from starting points, so it's incredibly gratifying. We are proud that so many of our children achieved well beyond five A* to C grades and that 20 gained more than five A and A* grades across their subjects last summer."

The proportion of students gaining three A and A* grades and five A and A* grades last year were both above the national average and the school is in the top 12 per cent nationally for the measure of improvement made by children from when they start to when they finish at the school.

"Many of our students are now studying at some of the top universities in the country and we expect standards at Kelmscott to continue to improve in 2014 and beyond," said Lynnette.

More info

For more information about the achievements and progress being made at Kelmscott School visit **www.kelmscott.waltham.sch.uk**.

In my opinion

Hemant Patel

Secretary, North East London Local Pharmaceutical Committee (NEL LPC)

Unexpected deaths related to the heart kill 100,000 people every year in the UK. These deaths occur when there is essentially a problem with the 'electrics' of the heart.

The heart needs to beat in a regular rhythm. If this rhythm is disrupted it can lead to problems such as stroke, which in turn can lead to death or paralysis of the left side of the body.

Heart rhythm problems, such as Atrial Fibrillation (AF), which causes an irregular and often abnormally fast heartbeat, affect up to one in four people.

The good news is that AF is one of the conditions that can be picked up by a new device that local pharmacists are using to help people stay heart healthy.

Fifteen pharmacies in Waltham Forest are working to save lives by offering you free heart rhythm checks and free blood pressure monitoring.

These pioneering pharmacies are using the latest technology as part of the check. You will receive a free assessment of your heart which will be sent to a heart doctor to check for an irregular heartbeat or heart rhythm. A report of the results will be sent back to your pharmacy within 24 hours.

This service was initially offered during Heart Rhythm Week, which took place from Monday 2 to Sunday 8 June. However, due to high demand the service has been extended until Sunday 13 July.

I urge residents, particularly those over the age of 45, to visit their local pharmacy for a free heart rhythm check. To find a participating local pharmacy visit **www.nellpc.org.uk** and search 'Heart Rhythm Week'.

You can also ask your pharmacist for advice on preventing potential heart problems, treating heart rhythm problems, getting the most from your medication and follow-up treatment and care.

During Heart Rhythm Week 100 local people who were unaware of their heart condition were identified. You can visit your local pharmacy to learn about the risk factors associated with your blood pressure and heart and for information to help you manage your own health.

Blood pressure changes with age. After the age of 45, it makes sense to get it checked every six months to check for any problems.

Well-trained pharmacy teams with the latest technology are waiting to hear from you to help you avoid an unexpected visit to hospital.

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Leader and Cabinet elected

- **Annual Council meeting sees official announcement of Council Leader, Cabinet Members and Mayor of Waltham Forest**
- **Work on residents' priorities set to continue**

Council Leader, Chris Robbins, speaks at the Annual Council Meeting on Thursday 12 June

The borough's newly-elected Councillors came together for the first full meeting of Waltham Forest Council on Thursday 12 June.

Cllr Chris Robbins was officially re-elected as Leader of Waltham Forest Council and he formally announced the make-up of the Council's new Cabinet.

Cllr Clyde Loakes retains his position as Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr Clare Coghill will head up the newly-formed Economic Growth and High Streets portfolio, Cllr Liaquat Ali MBE JP will remain as Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion, Cllr Mark Rusling is now Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, new Cabinet Member Khevyn Limbajee will lead the Housing portfolio, Cllr Angie Bean is once again Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Cllr Ahsan Khan remains Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing.

The Council Leader also announced that three Junior Cabinet Members – Cllr Karen Bellamy, Cllr Naheed Asghar and Cllr Sharon Waldron – will assist the Cabinet Members with a number of projects.

The Council Leader and Cabinet Members will serve four-year terms as leads for their portfolio areas.

Cllr Robbins began the meeting by speaking of the honour he felt at being re-elected as Leader of Waltham Forest Council for the third time. The Grove Green ward councillor has been the Leader of Waltham Forest Council since 2009 and a councillor since 2002.

Priorities

Chris Robbins spoke about the Council's work to meet residents' priorities during the last four years and how making life better for everyone living, working or studying in the borough will continue to be a driving force in its plans.

In 2012 the Council sought the views of residents in agreeing its priorities. Between 2012-2014 these were: making our community a safer place, keeping our borough clean, bringing you better shopping, streets and leisure (regenerating the borough) and helping you and your family.

Chris Robbins told Waltham Forest News: "Over the last four years the Council has made some fantastic progress in delivering many projects, such as the development of the new cinema, the renewal of all of our parks and our ambitious high street improvement programme.

"I am proud to once again be leading this borough into the next four years, and to have the opportunity to build on all the work we have done since 2010. I look forward to delivering an even better quality of life for all our residents."

In the coming months, residents will have the chance to see another regeneration scheme complete, with the opening of The Scene at Cleveland Place, the new cinema complex in Walthamstow town centre.

Last summer the borough set up an independent Growth Commission to explore ways to attract investment, support business and create thriving communities for the benefit of residents. The commission was headed up by Professor Tony Travers from the London School of Economics.

Residents were also invited to have their say on the subject and more than 1,800 responses to the consultation were received. The Growth Commission reported its findings to the Council earlier this year and provided a blueprint for growth in Waltham Forest. The Council will respond in detail to these recommendations in the coming months.

Another large-scale conversation with residents will take place this autumn to ensure that the Council, once again, concentrates on the services that residents value the most.

The Mayor

Waltham Forest's Councillors also swore in a new Mayor for the borough at the meeting, as Cllr Terry Wheeler was unanimously voted in as Mayor of Waltham Forest for the next year.

With 32 years of service as a Councillor under his belt, Cllr Wheeler is now the longest-serving elected representative of Waltham Forest Council.

Outgoing Mayor, Cllr Nadeem Ali, who was the youngest person to ever be elected for a full term as Mayor of Waltham Forest, made a speech at the meeting and announced that he expects to have raised more than £50,000 for his chosen charities. Around £12,000 will go to the William Morris Gallery and at least £20,000 will go to Whipps Cross Hospital. Cllr Ali also negotiated a match funding arrangement with Barts NHS Trust, meaning that his donation to the hospital will be doubled.

Cllr Ali thanked his family, Mayoress – his wife Saika – and his consorts for their support during his time as Mayor of Waltham Forest. He attended over 300 official engagements and functions during his time as the borough's first citizen.

Cllr Ali's last duty as Mayor of Waltham Forest was to present awards for long service to four Councillors and one former-Councillor who have in excess of 100 years' service between them. The awards were presented to Cllr Liaquat Ali, Cllr Jenny Grey, Cllr Shameem Highfield JP, Liz Phillips and Cllr Geoff Walker.

Turn to page 4 and 5 to find out about Waltham Forest Council's eight cabinet members and the new Mayor of Waltham Forest.

More info

You can read the full minutes of all Council meetings and committees on the Council's website. Visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk** and search 'Council meetings' or phone Democratic Services on **020 8496 3000**.

Meet the Cabinet

These are the eight politicians who will be instrumental in running Waltham Forest Council for the next four years

Leader of the Council

Chris Robbins

Cllr Robbins has the responsibility of leading the policy, strategy and budget of the Council and has overall responsibility for the quality and performance of Council services. This includes liaising with central government and local partners to secure the best possible deal for Waltham Forest residents. He is also the lead for Council-run events and cultural activities in the borough.
Cllr Robbins told Waltham Forest News: "Residents' quality of life will be a major driving force in our plans for the next four years.

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"We have to address the challenge of a £45million shortfall in the Council's budget up until April 2017. However, this will enable us to develop even more effective services and further invest in our parks, leisure facilities, high streets and enforcement and community safety programmes and make Waltham Forest a place we can all be proud of."

Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment

Clyde Loakes

In his role as Deputy Leader and the lead for Environment, Cllr Clyde Loakes will work to ensure that the borough is kept clean, green and tidy and that supervision of services designed to protect residents is carried out. These include environmental crime and enforcement, environmental health and trading standards. Neighbourhood services under Cllr Loakes' supervision include street cleansing, refuse collection, waste and recycling. Another priority area is traffic, parking and highways policy and management, the borough's parks and green spaces, as well as wider policy areas such as climate change and working towards redefining the borough to meet the needs of residents.

"The Council, and residents, have made some good progress on cleaning up and improving our streets, but we can improve further in these areas."

Cllr Loakes said: "The Council, and residents, have made some good progress on cleaning up and improving our streets, reducing fly-tipping and improving recycling in recent years, but there is still much more we can and need to do to improve further in these areas.
"We also have £30million Mini-Holland funding to spend on improving cycling in the borough, by creating new infrastructure and a culture which makes cycling more widely acceptable, appealing and safer for more of our residents. This will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that we need to get right."

Cabinet Member for Economic Growth and High Streets

Clare Coghill

Cllr Clare Coghill is now responsible for economic growth and investment in the borough, maintenance of high streets and the management of the borough's town centres including Walthamstow Market. Her portfolio also covers key national and local issues such as economic development, employment, training and skills, adult education and business relationships.

"Strengthening our local economy and building on the success of local businesses are key priorities."

Other subject areas include regeneration and planning policy and enforcement, revenues and benefits and Council property. Cllr Coghill told Waltham Forest News: "Strengthening our local economy and building on the success of local businesses, particularly local Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) are key priorities which I am eager to drive forward.
"The Growth Commission, led by internationally-respected economist Tony Travers, will provide an exceptional base from which to grow ideas, build partnerships and support people who want to invest and create jobs in our borough. Waltham Forest has amazing potential – we have so many self-employed people living here, including artists, makers and those in other creative industries – in addition to established larger businesses. Bringing investment in to Waltham Forest will support what is here already and create jobs for the future."

Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion

Liaquat Ali MBE JP

As Lead Member for Community Safety, Cllr Ali's portfolio addresses safety for residents in the borough and focuses on reducing crime levels in partnership with the police and other organisations.
The portfolio also involves managing the Drug Action Team and Emergency Planning and building relationships with the police and fire services. It also deals with the voluntary sector and builds on community engagement and equalities.

"One of the areas I will be concentrating on is ensuring that the police, the Council and other partners can join their efforts to tackle the issues that matter to residents."

Cllr Ali commented: "One of the areas I will be concentrating on is ensuring that the police, the Council and other partners can join their efforts together to tackle the issues that matter to residents, in particular gang violence and anti-social behaviour.
"I also look forward to working with our voluntary sector to create even stronger communities, involving residents in all areas of the borough."

Cabinet Member for Children and Young People

Mark Rusling

The Cabinet Member for Children and Young People will aim to ensure that young people in Waltham Forest have access to the best educational facilities and services available, ensuring a promising start to their future.
Other subjects under this portfolio include schools capital projects, addressing child poverty and the safety of children and early years' education. It also looks at youth provision and works with the youth offending team and children and young people's social services provision.

"We want every child to have the best start in life, giving them the knowledge, grit and confidence to make their way in the world."

Cllr Rusling told Waltham Forest News: "We want every child to have the best start in life, giving them the knowledge, grit and confidence to make their way in the world.
"We will not accept low standards and we will not accept some children having lower life chances. That means working with our schools to raise standards for all their pupils. It means making sure every child is safe and protected, including the children who are looked after by the Council. And it means listening to our young people and giving them a voice in all that we do."

Cabinet Member for Housing

Khevyn Limbajee

The Housing portfolio ensures that housing for residents in the borough meets a high standard and is adapted to suit everyone's personal need.
The portfolio area includes working with Ascham Homes – the arm's length management organisation (ALMO) which looks after Council owned property – housing associations, private landlords as well as taking a lead in building new homes.

"We want to make sure that we have good homes for all our residents and need to make sure that rented properties are of a high standard."

Cllr Khevyn Limbajee said: "We want to make sure that we have good homes for all our residents. We need to build quality housing and make sure that rented properties are of the same high standard as owner occupied properties.
"That is why we are moving forwards on the register of private landlords, further developing our relationship with housing associations that both build and manage houses, and working ever more closely with Ascham Homes."

Cabinet Member for Adult Services

Angie Bean

The Cabinet Member for Adult Services manages a range of services relating to the health of adults and older people to ensure the most vulnerable people in the borough receive the right care and support.
The portfolio also includes the Older People's Strategy and the future of care provision in Waltham Forest.
Cllr Bean told Waltham Forest News: "During the next year I will be working with our partners on developing an Older People's Charter. The charter will apply to all residents requiring our help, and will include pledges that keep our standards high.

"Residents need and deserve the best possible service that can be achieved through the integration of our health and social care responsibilities."

"Delivering the Better Care Fund is a crucial and extremely important part of my work with our health colleagues. Residents need and deserve the best possible service that can be achieved through the integration of our health and social care responsibilities. It's challenging but with good partnership work I am confident we will achieve good outcomes.
"Fun and community events bring our older people together and help alleviate isolation and prevent poorer health. Planning for community events to include as many older residents as possible to join in to together is underway."

Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing

Ahsan Khan

Cllr Ahsan Khan's portfolio includes public health, the borough's leisure centres and sports development.
The responsibilities of the portfolio extend to include the strategic relationship with local, regional and national health authorities to keep residents aware of the latest developments. Cllr Khan is also the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board in the borough.

"I will be working across the Council, with the voluntary sector and health colleagues to ensure residents can live healthier, more active lives."

Cllr Khan commented: "I have lived in the borough all my life and I am delighted to be appointed as the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing. In Waltham Forest we face many challenges around health, and one of my priorities will be to ensure we reduce health inequalities and improve health outcomes in the borough. I will be working with the team to develop a Public Health Charter, setting out the Council's ambition for health in all policies.
"I will be working across the Council, with the voluntary sector and health colleagues; focusing on the determinants of health – to ensure residents can live healthier, more active lives."

Mayor of Waltham Forest

Terry Wheeler

Cllr Terry Wheeler will be the Mayor of Waltham Forest for the next year. The Mayor is the borough's civic and ceremonial head and as first citizen represents Waltham Forest at public, civic and ceremonial events. You can invite the Mayor to attend your community events, ceremonies and other celebrations by contacting the Councillor Services team.
Councillor Wheeler was born, raised and educated in Waltham Forest and is a governor for a number of local schools.
His principal Mayoress will be a young person chosen by members of the Council's Youth Engagement team, who will be assisted by Cllr Wheeler's daughter, Abina. Cllr Wheeler has also appointed an ecumenical chaplaincy, naming Father Maurice Gordon as his lead Chaplain supported by local chaplains Brigid de Mello, a representative of Al Tawid Mosque and Rev Stuart Myers representing the Jewish faith.
The Mayor will not choose a specific charity for his year in office, but will support, and raise money for, a number of local organisations.
Cllr Wheeler told Waltham Forest News: "I am honoured to have been elected as Mayor of Waltham Forest. I want to represent all residents and communities and be a worthy first citizen for the borough."

More info

For more information on elected representatives visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/councillors** or phone Councillor Services on **020 8496 3000**.

In brief

The Community Payback Scheme comes to Langthorne Park in Leytonstone

Park payback

On Tuesday 10 June Council officers, police officers from the borough's Gangs Taskforce, Serco Community Payback Supervisors and recent offenders joined forces to help clean up Langthorne Park in Leytonstone.

The Community Payback Scheme sees offenders working to improve the borough and the event gave them a chance to work with officers. By showing officers and offenders in a different light, the scheme helps break down barriers.

The clean-up saw gang related tagging removed from benches through sanding and varnishing, removal of graffiti, pruning of areas where weapons, drugs and the like could potentially be hidden, deep cleansing that included sweeping and litter picking hard-to-reach areas and restoration of decking.

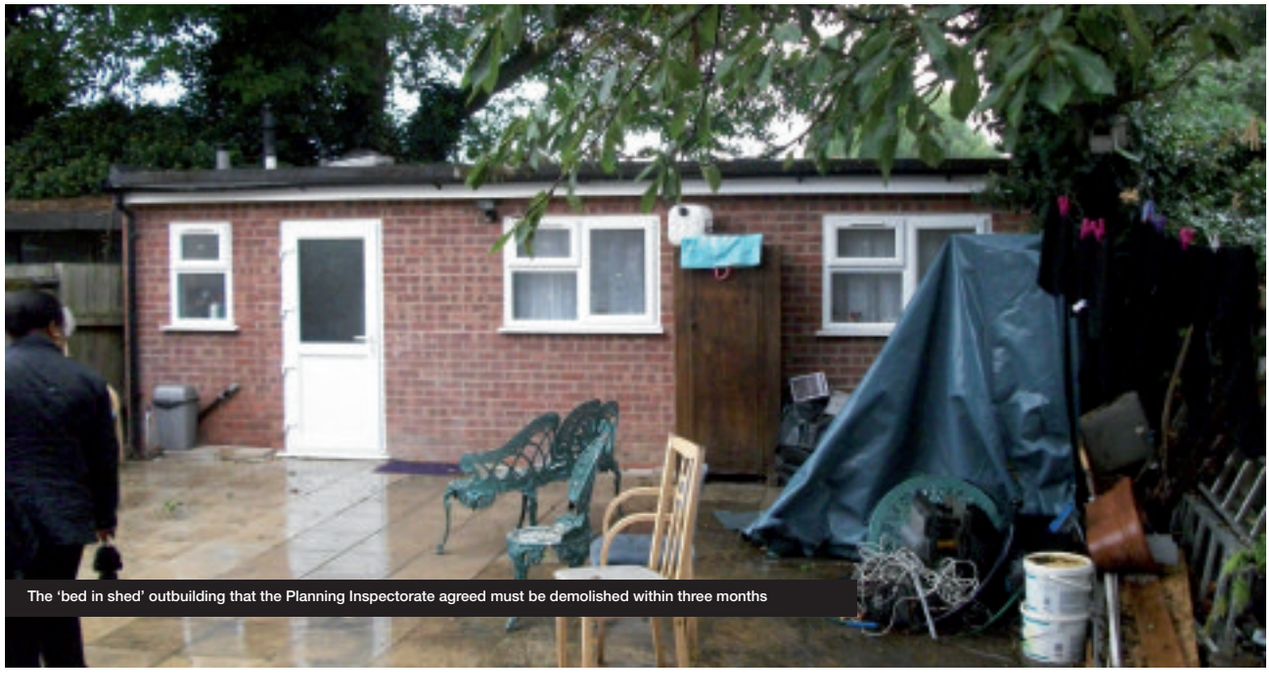
One offender said: "That council bloke I worked with gave me some great tips on how to preserve my wooden garden furniture and the police officer that I worked with made me stop and think about how I always judged all police the same (and not in a nice way). I was wrong."

Acting Police Sergeant Mike Halpin said: "I didn't realise how much hard work gets done by offenders while on Community Payback. This is so different to my normal working day and I'm really glad I came to help out. It looks fantastic."

A local resident who witnessed the transformation said: "Thank you for arranging to do this. I don't have a garden of my own as I live in a small apartment so I use this lovely park to come and sit in. It all looks wonderful and I am so grateful to everyone for making it look even more beautiful."

The Council's Environment Graffiti Operative, Paul Ellens, added: "Today has been excellent – so much has been done and it was brilliant working alongside the guys on Community Payback and the police."

• If you would like to nominate an area near you for the Community Payback scheme email nominations@london.cp.gsi.gov.uk. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.



The 'bed in shed' outbuilding that the Planning Inspectorate agreed must be demolished within three months

Tackling bad landlords to improve standards

- **Irresponsible landlords looking to turn a quick buck should think again**
- **Stricter rules on HMOs coming into force, and beds in sheds outlawed**

With more residents renting homes in Waltham Forest than ever before, it can be all too easy for bad landlords to chance their arm to make quick and easy money out of their tenants.

But, while some think it's easy to cram as many people as possible into a home – by splitting it into self contained flats or bedsits – known as an HMO or House of Multiple Occupation, tough action is being taken to protect tenants.

At the start of this year the Council confirmed that it would introduce something called an 'Article 4 Direction' borough-wide. This will remove 'permitted development rights', which allow a landlord to change a property from a single dwelling to an HMO without having to get planning permission.

From Tuesday 16 September landlords will have to gain planning permission each and every time they consider making such a change. "It will give the Council much greater control over what is happening to the housing stock in the borough, retaining valuable single household dwellings where appropriate," explained Cllr Clyde Loakes, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment.

Landlords of certain types of HMOs must already license their property with the Council, but this will extend the powers of the local authority to stop landlords intent on simply maximising their profits by breaking up single dwellings into many different units.

It is important that the Council ensures that HMOs meet certain standards. It is essential that landlords consider things like means of escape in case of fire, amenities such as kitchens, bathrooms and toilets, and ensuring that a property is not overcrowded.

Where landlords do not apply for a licence when they should, or their properties fall below the standards set by the Council, action will be taken. Waltham Forest Council has a particularly impressive record in taking action against illegal 'beds in sheds'.

Habitable accommodation must be safe and in keeping with the surrounding properties and only by going through the relevant planning process can the Council determine whether granting permission is appropriate.

Landlords that simply erect so called 'bed in shed' outbuildings in the gardens of properties without permission soon find the Council wise to the practice and enforcement action taken. A recent example highlights that even when landlords attempt to wriggle out of their responsibilities, they seldom succeed.

When the Council discovered a bed in shed building in Cecil Road, Walthamstow, they issued an enforcement notice on 21 November 2013 to have the outbuilding removed. The owner, Peter Anub, of Billet Road, Walthamstow, appealed against the Council's decision to the national Planning Inspectorate.

The inspector dismissed the owner's appeal last month and refused his plea to keep the outbuilding as a gym/store, upholding the Council's notice to demolish it by Wednesday 20 August.

Mr Anuba appealed to allow him six months to demolish the property, rather than the three months stipulated in the Council notice, but the inspector said he saw 'no good reason to justify extending the compliance period further'.

This shows that the Planning Inspectorate is no more impressed than the Council when it comes to landlords looking to play fast and loose with the rules.

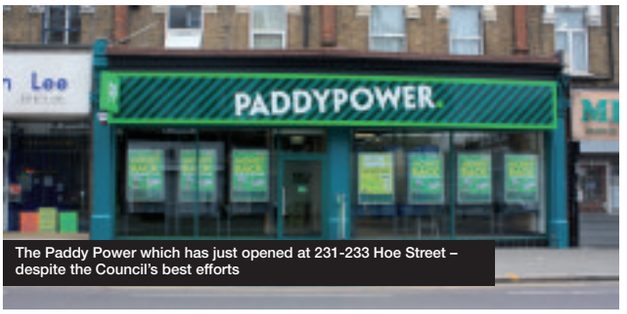
Planning permission is a necessary process which helps make sure that any development in Waltham Forest is appropriate. "Neither the Council nor the Planning Inspectorate will tolerate bad landlords with a penchant for riding roughshod over the planning process, Cllr Loakes concluded. "My message to rogue landlords? Get your house in order!"

More info

For more information about the planning process, visit the Council's website at **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/planning** Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Another bookies opens – despite Council protests

- Planning Inspector overrules Council, allowing two more betting shops
- Council's arguments about crime, clustering and proliferation were dismissed



The Paddy Power which has just opened at 231-233 Hoe Street – despite the Council's best efforts

The national Planning Inspectorate has overturned decisions made by Waltham Forest Council to refuse permission for Paddy Power to open two new betting shops in the borough.

Appeals were lodged in relation to two locations where the Council refused permission – one at 231-233 Hoe Street in Walthamstow and the other at 657-661 High Road, Leyton.

The Planning Inspector allowed a change of use from a retail shop to a betting shop at both locations, dismissing the Council's arguments around associated crime and the proliferation and clustering of betting shops in the borough.

"It's a real kick in the teeth for residents who have been pressing us to do everything we can to stop more betting shops springing up on their local high streets," said Cllr Clare Coghill, Cabinet Member for Economic Growth and High Streets.

"The sad fact is that while we fight them as best as we can, we are being prevented from stopping unwanted applications from impacting on our high streets in spite of our best efforts."

The Inspector concluded that the new shops would not contribute to proliferation either as a whole or in the particular area. Largely this came down to his decision to ignore the Council's evidence that there had been a 16 per cent increase in the number of betting shops since 2005 in favour of information presented by Paddy Power that used figures based on licensing records from 2007.

The Inspector also said that he did not consider either appeal sites were close to existing clusters of betting shops and reacted to crime figures submitted by the Council by saying that they did not suggest that betting shops attracted "more than their fair share of trouble."

It is a huge disappointment to the Council that the power to make local decisions can be overruled in this way, particularly when both applications are located in central and southern areas of the borough where deprivation is most intense.

There has been an increasing trend in the betting industry to target vulnerable communities, with shops being set up in locations intended to attract more and more people to problem gambling.

More info

For more information on the 'Creating a better place' campaign visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace.**

In brief

Banned breed dog seized

A warrant was executed by Waltham Forest Council's Dog Enforcement Team in the early hours of Wednesday 4 June. A banned breed dog living at a property in Monoux Grove, Walthamstow was removed in response to complaints received from members of the public who were concerned about the dog's aggressive behaviour. A man and a woman at the address were also arrested for assault on police and for attempting to prevent the Council officers from seizing the dog. A prosecution will now be pursued under the Dangerous Dogs Act. In the UK it is against the law to own certain types of dog. These are the Pit Bull Terrier, Japanese Tosa, Dogo Argentino and Fila Braziliero. It is also against the law to abandon, sell, give away or breed from a banned breed.

• For more information on the work of the Dog Enforcement Team visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/animal-welfare or phone 020 8496 3000.

Age UK Waltham Forest
We have moved and we need Volunteers!

Our new address:
Age UK Waltham Forest,
Waltham Forest Resource Hub (North), 58 Hall Lane, Chingford, E4 8EU
Telephone: 0208 558 5512

Meet and Greet Volunteers
Various Shifts
We need volunteers to be the first point of call for visitors and to provide a welcoming reception service to the organisation.

Gardening Volunteers
We are looking for volunteers with a keen interest in gardening to help transform the garden area and to create a pleasant outdoor space at our new offices.

We also have vacancies for the following:

Befriending Volunteers

Volunteer Computer Tutors

Information and Advice Volunteers

'Your Choice' Volunteers
If you have a particular skill, interest or hobby you would like to share, please do let us know as we are always looking for new ideas.

Our simple application form is available online www.ageukwalthamforest.org.uk or by telephone 0208 558 5512 or email info@ageukwalthamforest.org.uk

Waltham Forest age UK

Reaching Out To Local People
CREST
"..... is best!"

Based in Walthamstow and Leytonstone, *CREST Clubs* offer a day's stimulating activities, exercise and education for older people with a disability and/or dementia. And all in a safe, secure and caring environment. Transport is provided, as is a cooked lunch.

For more information, contact Paula at CREST on
020 8521 2975
or, paula.lesurf@crestwf.org.uk or go to www.crestclub.org.uk

"…We do seem to laugh when we get together…"

Sports and fitness

Zumba in Walthamstow

Mondays and Thursdays, 7.30pm
Harmony Hall, 10 Truro Road, E17 7BY
Five minutes from Walthamstow Central tube station. Drop-in sessions, £5 per class. **For more information visit www.katyag.zumba.com, phone 07826 101 222 or email zumbassion@gmail.com.**

Jacky's Fitsteps

Wednesdays, 9.30am and Thursdays, 6.45–7.45pm
Mornington Hall, The Green, E4 7EN
FitSteps® is formulated by Strictly Come Dancing's Ian Waite and Natalie Lowe – along with Mark Foster. It's ideal for toning, building muscle strength and slimming down. You do not need a partner, it's a fitness class. Jacky runs classes in Walthamstow and Wood Street too. £6 per class or four classes for £20. **For more information visit www.jackysjukebox.co.uk, phone 07715 421 349 or email jacjuke@aol.com**

Women Only Pilates

Every Friday, except first of the month, 7–8pm
Foster Hall, Wellesley Road, E17 8JZ
Traditional Mat Based Pilates is one of the most effective body sculpting workouts you can do. Pilates combines strengthening, relaxation, flexibility, alignment and stamina by correcting muscular imbalances and alleviating tension. Mixed abilities, £5 per class, mat required. **For more information email mariabonner@btinternet.com or phone 07514 180 360.**

Yoga for Pregnancy and Birth

Mondays, 6.45–8.15pm and Saturdays, 10–11.30am
Quaker Meeting House, Bush Road, E11
For more information visit www.arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk, email info@arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk or phone 07976 903 003.

General Restorative Yoga

Mondays, 8.30–9.30pm
Quaker Meeting House, Bush Road, E11
For more information visit www.arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk, email info@arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk or phone 07976 903 003.

Women Only Zumba

Tuesdays, 7.30pm and Saturdays, 10.30am
St Andrews Church, St Andrews Road, E17 6AR
Zumba combines Latin and international music with a fun and effective workout. **For more information visit www.vibe-wellness.co.uk or phone Jackie on 07717 330 993.**

Pilates Fitness Classes

Every Saturday, 11.30am
St Andrews Church, St Andrews Road E17 6AR
Pilates Fitness is a class that follows the principals of Pilates combined with elements of fitness exercise to enhance the benefits of the session.
For more information visit www.vibe-wellness.co.uk or phone Jackie on 07717 330 993.

Free Lawn Green Bowls Coaching

Saturdays, 10.30am–12.30pm
Silverthorn Bowling Club, Ropers Avenue Ground, E4 9EJ
Free coaching is available for young people aged 11 to 16 and all adults. No obligation to join. Adults can use bowling as a leisurely healthy pursuit or move into competition if inspired to do so. Our qualified coaches are CRB checked and fully supportive. We anticipate building a youth team to play other Bowling Clubs with a youth element. Come along and join in the fun, meet new people and learn to bowl. Free refreshments on the day. You must wear flat shoes to bowl. **To book your place phone 020 8531 6619, or just turn up on the day.**

Orion Harriers Fast Friday 5km and 10km track races

Friday 27 June, 7pm
Waltham Forest Pool and Track, 170 Chingford Road, E17 5AA
Open 5km and seeded 10km races. £5 pre-entry only. **For more information phone 07808 581 659, email bosu@msn.com or visit www.orionharriers.org.uk.**

Orion Harriers 5 mile Trail Race and Fun Run

Saturday 5 July, 10am
Jubilee Retreat, Bury Road, Chingford E4 7QJ
Five mile run on trails through Epping Forest. All abilities welcome. Entry costs £8 in advance, £10 on the day or £20 for all three races in the summer series. **For more information phone 07709 206 897, email bobjousiffe@hotmail.com or visit www.orionharriers.org.uk.**

East London School of Karate

Days and times vary
Nexus Community Centre, 3 Snowberry Close, E15 2AH
Classes on offer include Karate Kids for beginners aged six and over, beginner's sessions for anyone aged 13 and over, intermediate and advanced adult classes, 'Little Tiger's Club' for children aged four and five and fitness boot camps for adults. **For full information, including days and times, visit www.elskarate.co.uk, email info@elskarate.co.uk or phone Pam on 07853 177 950 or Kim on 07956 961 563.**

Yogi J Yoga

Mondays 7–8pm
The Limes Community Centre, 6 Somers Road, E17 6RX
A mixed ability class focusing on mind, body and breath. Suitable for all levels, moving through gentle poses with options to deepen your practice. Develop flexibility, balance, strength and relaxation in the body and the mind. £9 drop in or buy a six week block for £45. Bring your own mat or buy one from me for £10. **For more information please email James jjcassidy123@aol.com.**

Zumba Fitness with Chloe

Tuesdays, 7pm
Walthamstow School for Girls, E17 9RZ
Wear low tread supportive trainers and bring a bottle of water to enjoy this exhilarating dance fitness class in a low pressure atmosphere! £5 drop in, discounts available for advance bookings. **For more information phone 07903 629 636, email chloe@dancechloe.com or visit www.DanceChloe.com.**

Circuit Training

Thursdays, 7pm
St Gabriel's Church Centre, Havant Road, E17 3JF
A high impact exercise class for men and women who want to improve strength and stamina. Aiding weight loss and muscle tone in a friendly environment with variations for all levels. £6 drop-in, discounts available for advance bookings. **For more information phone 07903 629 636, email chloe@dancechloe.com or visit www.DanceChloe.com.**

Ladies Tap Dancing Classes

Thursdays; Beginners, 12.15–1pm and Improvers, 1.15–2.15pm
St Edmund's Church, Chingford Mount Road, E4 9DS
Charge of £4 per class. Classes also available on Tuesday evenings. **For more information phone Mandy on 07976 786 404 or 01992 524 681.**

Mixed Ability Yoga Classes – beginners welcome

Wednesdays, 7.30–9.30pm and Thursdays, 7.30–9.30pm
Friends Meeting House, Bush Road, E11 3AU
Fridays, 7–8.30pm and 8.40–10.10pm
Mondays, 1–3pm
Peterhouse Centre, Forest Rise, E17 3PW
Down-to-earth Hatha Yoga. Help for anxiety and depression as well as physical problems. Sleep better, feel better. Fully qualified teacher since 1984 (British Wheel of Yoga). £8 for 90 minute classes and £8.50 for two hours. **For more information phone Kay on 020 8554 7168 or email kay_russell_yoga@hotmail.com**

West Essex Ramblers

Days and times vary
This friendly rambling group has four guided walks a week, taking place every Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Join us for a circular walk from Mile End Station on Saturday 5 July. This seven mile walk along Regent's Canal, Limehouse Cut and Lee Navigation will include parts of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and a café stop. **For more information, or to request a sample programme, phone 020 8502 1628 or visit www.westessexramblers.org.uk.**

Pilates Fusion Course

Tuesdays from 24 June to 29 July, 7.30–8.30pm
Harmony Hall, 10 Truro Road, E17 7BY
This one hour session includes 15 minutes low impact active mobility movements and 45 minutes Pilates for toning and strengthening the whole body. You will learn all Pilates principles, and how to perform them with ease and confidence. £45 for six week course. **For more information email mail@infinehealth.co.uk or phone Sonja on 07847 603 423.**

Beginners Walking Group

From Monday 9 June, 7–8pm
Hale End Harriers invite you to join our new beginners walking fitness programme which is perfect if you haven't run for a long time. We're a small friendly group led by qualified Running Leaders Rita and Mel. If you want to get fit and energised get in touch. **For more information email haleendharriers@live.co.uk.**

Clubs and community

Walthamstow School for Girls Alumnae Event

Saturday 5 July, 10.30am – 3.30pm
Walthamstow School for Girls, Church Hill, E17 9RZ
Our annual get together for former pupils and staff is now in its 12th year. Bring back memories while you chat, eat and tour the school. During the afternoon there'll be musical entertainment from current students. Tickets cost £15 and include lunch plus morning and afternoon refreshments. **For more information, or to book, phone Lesley Winter on 020 8509 9410 or email l.winter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk.**

Table Top Sale

Saturday 28 June, 11am–2pm
Lighthouse Methodist Church, Markhouse Road, E17 8BQ
The Lighthouse Methodist Church is holding table top sales on Saturday 28 June and Saturday 26 July. Lots of stalls with varying goods to see.

Holy Family Summer Fair

Saturday 28 June, 12–4pm
1 Shernhall Street, E17 3EA
The Friends of Holy Family Catholic School and Sixth Form are holding an afternoon of family fun, with a driving school, stocks, coconut shy, foodie treats from Portugal and Africa along with what we think of as the best BBQ in the borough, afternoon tea and homemade cakes for sale too. We are also showcasing our students many talents with a technology exhibition and the 'Holy Family Has Talent' final. A limited amount of outdoor tables will be available at £15 (£10 if paid before the event). Entrance fee is 50p for adults and 20p for concessions. **To book a table email t.friends@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk or phone the school on 020 8520 0482.**

Acupuncture Awareness

Days and times vary
Acupuncture has been used in the East for over 2000 years to treat a wide range of physical and emotional problems. It is a holistic therapy which aims to help the body to regain balance in the fight against illness. In the West it has continued to grow in popularity and acceptance as an alternative or complement to conventional treatments. If you would like to find out how Acupuncture could help you, we are offering free consultations at our Clinic in Leytonstone. Our therapists are fully qualified members of the British Acupuncture Council. **To book a free consultation phone Tony on 07943 672 696 or email bushwoodacu@aol.com.**

Miniature Steam and Electric Train Rides

Every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday until 5 October, 2–5.30pm
Ridgeway Park, Peel Close, E4 6XU
Miniature steam and electric train rides at Ridgeway Park Chingford are great fun for children and adults alike. During the school summer holidays, train rides are also available on Wednesday afternoons from 1–4pm.Train rides are available at 60p or £1.20 depending on the train track in use. Kids under three go free with an adult. **For more information visit www.chingford-model-engineering.com or email chairman@chingford-model-engineering.com.**

Interview Coaching

Tuesdays, 9am–6pm and various evenings
Near Wood Street/Forest Road, Walthamstow
Special for the Summer – 20 per cent off individual coaching sessions and free CV reviews. If you feel your interview technique is a little rusty, or your CV could do with a refresh, coaching and mock interviews will greatly increase your chances of success. **For more information, or to book, email nathalina@ayama.co.uk, phone 020 8257 8475 or visit www.ayamacoaching.co.uk.**

Pull out and keep your guide to fun this summer

Over 40 schools open for fun this summer

Hundreds of activities for children, young people and families

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/summer-daze

Waltham Forest

Welcome to Summer Daze 2014

Summer 2014 is here and I am pleased to announce our programme of summer activities for children and young people in Waltham Forest.

We've once again teamed up with the Tottenham Hotspur Foundation and Leyton Orient Sports Community Programme to offer a high quality varied multi-sport programme for all children. For those who prefer the stage to the football pitch, we've also teamed up with X7eaven Performing Arts to offer dance, music and theatre experiences.

Our Schools Open for Summer scheme is part of our commitment to help you and your family. We understand how expensive the summer holidays can be for parents and carers, so we've worked really hard to make as many activities as possible free of charge.

We are also extremely lucky to live in borough with so much green space, play areas, libraries, leisure centres and museums to enjoy. And don't forget our programme of Get Together events taking place across the borough throughout the summer – the majority of which are free – with local outdoor shows including live music performances and family entertainment.

While we want young people in our borough to have fun and keep busy over the holidays, we're also determined to ensure they have the help they need to achieve their full potential. We hope our summer programme helps inspire the youngest generation to aim for excellence and be the best they can be.

I hope you and your family have a great summer in Waltham Forest.

Many thanks,

Cllr Chris Robbins
Leader of Waltham Forest Council

SUMMER DAZE

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

Multi-Sports Holiday Programme

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR FOUNDATION

Get involved with our multi-sports or performing arts holiday programmes for children and young people aged 5 to 19 years (or 5 to 25 years old with a disability).

Book from Tuesday 1 July 2014

Tottenham Hotspur Foundation Multi-Sports – Monday 28 July to Friday 15 August 2014
X7eaven Performing Arts- Monday 28 July to Friday 15 August 2014
9.30am to 3.30pm
Walthamstow School for Girls
Church Hill
Walthamstow
E17 9RZ

Tottenham Hotspur Foundation Multi-Sports – Monday 28 July to Friday 8 August 2014
X7eaven Performing Arts
9.30am to 3.30pm
Heathcote School and Science College
Normanton Park
Chingford
E4 6ES

Leyton Orient Sports Community Programme Multi Sports – Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014
9.30am to 3.30pm
The Score Centre
100 Oliver Road
Leyton
E10 5JY

X7eaven Performing Arts – Monday 11 August to Friday 22 August 2014
9.30am to 3.30pm
X7eaven
569A Leabridge Road
Leyton
E10 7EQ

Free Disability Multi-Sports and Swimming – all children must be accompanied by an adult
Monday 11 August to Friday 22 August 2014
10.30am to 3.30pm
Waltham Forest Pool and Track
Chingford Road
Walthamstow
E17 5AA

Cost:
£40 per week
£20 per week
Concessionary rate for children and young people in receipt of free school meals.

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Activities and events for under 5s

There's plenty to keep the youngest tots amused over the summer. From music, play and sing-a-long groups to interactive storytelling, there's loads to do. Parents and carers are welcome at many of our activities – if you can keep up!

Stay and Play at Leyton Children's Centre

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

0 to 5 years

Ongoing activity
Wednesdays and Thursdays at The Seddon Centre
Thursdays and Fridays at Leyton Cricket Ground
9.45am to 11.15am

The Seddon Centre
Clyde Place
Leyton
E10 5AS

Leyton Cricket Ground
Crawley Road
Leyton
E10 6PY

Fun and different indoor play activities for parents to do with their children.
£1 voluntary donation
Asma Kayat
020 8496 2737 / 07814 637211
Asma.kayat@walthamforest.gov.uk

Messy Play at Leyton Children's Centre

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

2 to 5 years

Ongoing activity
Mondays at The Seddon Centre
Wednesdays at Leyton Cricket Ground
9.45am to 11.15am

The Seddon Centre
Clyde Place
Leyton
E10 5AS

Leyton Cricket Ground
Crawley Road
Leyton
E10 6PY

Play activities that will let children explore their senses and get messy without your homes getting messy!
£1 voluntary donation
Asma Kayat
020 8496 2737 / 07814 637211
Asma.kayat@walthamforest.gov.uk

Tiny Movers at Leyton Children's Centre

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

0 to 5 years

Ongoing activity
Fridays 1pm to 2.30pm at Leyton Cricket Ground
Tuesdays 9.45am to 11.15am at The Seddon Centre

The Seddon Centre
Clyde Place
Leyton
E10 5AS

Leyton Cricket Ground
Crawley Road
Leyton
E10 6PY

Physical activities for children to help with their motor skills.
£1 voluntary donation
Asma Kayat
020 8496 2737 / 07814 637211
Asma.kayat@walthamforest.gov.uk

Redwood Preschool Holiday Playscheme

2 to 7 years

Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August 2014
8am to 9.30am – Breakfast Club
9.30am to 4.30pm – All Day Provision
4.30pm to 6pm – Teatime Club

Redwood Pre-School
The Bell Centre
3 Holloway Road
Leytonstone
E11 4LD

Redwood holiday playscheme offers a caring, fully inclusive and safe environment for all children with planned daily themes focused on fun, fun, fun! Places are limited so book NOW to avoid disappointment.
From £12 per day
020 8539 8559
redwoodpreschool@btconnect.com
www.redwoodpreschool.org.uk

Stay and Play at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years
Mondays 2 June to
29 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Fridays 6 June to
26 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Avenue
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Stay and Play Messy Play at Parkside

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

6 months to 5 years
Mondays 2 June to
29 September 2014
1.30pm to 3pm
Parkside Centre
82 Peel Close
Chingford
E4 6XQ
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

New Parents Group at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 6 months
Mondays 2 June to
29 September 2014
1.30pm to 3pm
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Avenue
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Come and meet other new parents while your baby makes friends of their own whilst playing, singing and exploring their environment.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Stay and Play at Handsworth

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years
Tuesdays 3 June to
30 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Handsworth Avenue
Health Centre
Handsworth Avenue
Highams Park
E4 9PD
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Interactive Story Telling at South Chingford Library

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

18 months to 4 years
Tuesdays 3 June to
30 September 2014
1pm to 2pm
South Chingford Community Library
265 Chingford Mount Road
Chingford
E4 8LP
Come and join us for an adventure through stories, rhymes and puppet making.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Parent Group for Eastern European Parents

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years
Tuesdays 3 June to
30 September 2014
1.30pm to 3pm
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Avenue
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Come and meet other parents who have English as a second language. Share ideas and concerns about community life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Child Health Clinic at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Thursdays
12 and 26 June 2014
10 and 24 July 2014
7 and 21 August 2014
4 and 18 September 2014
9.30am to 11.30am
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Ave
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Come to get your child weighed with a Health Visitor, receive health and feeding advice and much more.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Stay and Play at Parkside

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Thursdays
5 June to 25 September 2014
9am to 10.30am
Parkside Centre
82 Peel Close
Chingford
E4 6XQ
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Dare to Design at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Thursdays 5 June to 25 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Ave
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Come along to this adult workshop and learn how to design crafts and gifts.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Rollers and Crawlers at Parkside

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 18 months

Thursdays 5 June to 25 September 2014
1.30pm to 3pm
Parkside Centre
82 Peel Close
Chingford
E4 6XQ
Babies and parent/carers can enjoy meeting friends and exploring toys which extend learning.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org
www.chingfordchildrencentre.org

Theatre Bugs at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Fridays 6 June to 26 September 2014
1pm to 1.40pm (0 to 2 years)
2pm to 3pm (2 to 5 years)
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Ave
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Come on an imaginative journey with puppet friends, songs and rhymes.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org

Stay and Play at Coney Burrows

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Fridays 6 June to 26 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Coney Burrows Community Centre
31 Coney Burrows
Chingford
E4 6EB
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org

Child Safety at Chingford Hall

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years

Wednesdays 16 July 2014, 20 August 2014 and 24 September 2014
9.30am to 11am
Chingford Hall Children's Centre
4 Burnside Ave
Chingford
E4 8YJ
Learn some practical tips on how to keep your child safe in the home and in the community. Please call to book a place and there is also a crèche available.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org

Fathers Group

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

0 to 5 years
Saturdays 28 June, 26 July and 30 August 2014
10am to 1.30pm
South Chingford Community Library
265 Chingford Mount Road
Chingford
E4 8LP
Be creative with your child and learn all about the first curriculum which will support your child's learning for life.
Chingford Children's Centre
020 8496 1551
help@chingfordchildrencentre.org

Gym Tots Gym Club

0 to 5 years
Wednesday 30 July, Friday 1 August, Wednesday 6 August and Friday 8 August 2014
9.30am to 10.15am (0 to 2½ years)
10.30am to 11.15am and 11.30am to 12.15pm (2½ to 5 years)
Methodist Church
Winchester Road
Highams Park
E4 9JP
We offer classes for both babies and preschool children during the summer holidays which allows them to learn the basics of gymnastics while having lots of fun. All classes are taken by qualified British Gymnastics coaches.
£3.50 (0 to 2½ years)
£4.75 (2½ to 5 years)
07813 199553
gymtotsgymclub@hotmail.co.uk

Bongalong in the Summer

0 to 5 years (siblings up to age 8 years)
Tuesday 29 to Thursday 31 July 2014
10.30am and 11.30am
St Gabriel's Family Centre
Havant Road
Walthamstow
E17 3JF
Music, movement and make believe for children under 5 and their carers using singing, dancing, and fabulous percussion instruments. Booking is essential.
£6 per child
£10 for two siblings under 5
£2 for siblings 5 to 8 years
Free for siblings under 6 months
Fiona
020 8257 7645
07811 460282
fiona.bongalong@gmail.com

Hackney Play Bus

FREE

6 months to 5 years (siblings under 8)
Tuesdays 29 July to 26 August 2014
10am to 12noon
The Drive
Walthamstow
E17 3JF
The bus is fully converted for play with space for arts and crafts, an area for games, puzzles and role play. There is also a baby area as well as outdoor toys.
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Stay and Play at Church Hill

16 months to 5 years
Thursdays 24 July to 14 August 2014
10am to 11.30am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Church Hill site
Woodbury Road
Walthamstow
E17 9SB
Play with your child, meet other parents and explore our garden.
£1 per child
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Breastfeeding Café with Petra

FREE

Adults and babies
Fridays 25 July to 15 August 2014
10am to 11.45am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Church Hill site
Woodbury Road
Walthamstow
E17 9SB
Pregnant or breastfeeding? Talk to our breastfeeding counsellor, ask questions, meet other women and talk about the benefits of breastfeeding.
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Stay and Play at Barclay

0 to 5 years

Tuesdays 29 July to 19 August 2014
9.30am to 11.15am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Barclay site
Canterbury Road
Leyton
E10 6EJ
Play with your child and meet other parents in our large hall and outdoor area. Learn more about the Early Years Foundation Stage framework.
£1 per child
Walthamstow East Chldren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Breastfeeding Café at Barclay

FREE

Adults and babies

Tuesdays 29 July to 19 August 2014
11.30am to 1pm
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Barclay site
Canterbury Road
Leyton
E10 6EJ
Pregnant or breastfeeding? Talk to our breastfeeding counsellor, ask questions, meet other women and talk about the benefits of breastfeeding.
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

E10 Advice Drop-in

FREE

0 to 5 years (with parents)

Tuesdays 29 July to 19 August 2014
1.30pm to 4pm
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Barclay site
Canterbury Road
Leyton
E10 6EJ
Experienced staff can offer help and advice on a range of matters including benefits, debt, immigration and housing, as well as employment, training, and volunteering, and guidance for parents with children under 5.
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Stay and Play – Get Physical

0 to 5 years

Thursdays 24 to 14 August 2014
9.30am to 11.15am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Barclay site
Canterbury Road
Leyton
E10 6EJ
A play session for physical play including soft play, football, ball pools, bikes, slides and trampolines and much more.
£1 per child
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Music and Movement

FREE

18 months to 5 years

Mondays 28 July to 18 August 2014
10am to 11am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Wood Street Library
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4AA
Sing and dance with your child.
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Summer Fun Activities

0 to 5 years

Wednesdays 30 July to 20 August 2014
9.15am to 11.15am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
St Gabriel's Church
Havant Road
Walthamstow
E17 3JF
Stay and play with your child and join in our special summer activities.
£1 per child
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Coffee Time

0 to 5 years (with parents)

Thursdays 24 July to 14 August 2014
1.30pm to 3pm
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Woodside Site
Wood Street
Walthamstow
E17 3JX
A friendly and informal session for women with English as an additional language. Share experiences and gain information and skills through different activities.
£1 per child
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Rhyme Time: Come and sing

FREE

0 to 5 years

Fridays 8 August to 15 August 2014
10.15am to 10.45am
11am to 11.30am
Walthamstow East Children's Centre
Woodside Library
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4AA
A fun and interactive group where you can sing and learn action rhymes for you and your baby or young child to sing together at home.
Walthamstow East Chidren's Centre
020 8520 4919
school@churchhill.waltham.sch.uk

Activities and events for 5 – 10 years

You'll be spoilt for choice with our huge selection of activities covering sport, arts, nature and much more, including creative craft classes, drama groups, bug trails and even a Lego building masterclass. Hang out with friends from school, or even make a few new ones.

Avenue Kids Club Holiday Playscheme

4 to 12 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014
8am to 6.30pm
Avenue Kids Club
Nexus Centre
3 Snowberry Close
Leytonstone
E15 2AH
Various activities including cooking, arts, crafts, football, basketball, table tennis, computer, games and lots more. Secure outside play area. We also have days out, bowling, cinema, museums, parks and farms at some additional costs.
From £20 per day
Karen Hodges or Dianne Stephenson
07748 271202 / 07943 104209
avenuekidsclub@hotmail.com

Star Track

6 to 8 years
Tuesday 29 to Thursday 31 July 2014
Tuesday 5 to Thursday 7 August 2014
Tuesday 19 to Thursday 21 August 2014
2.30pm to 5pm
8 to 12 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August 2014
Monday 4 to Friday 8 August 2014
Monday 18 to Friday 22 August 2014
10am to 2pm
Lee Valley Athletics Centre
Pickett's Lock complex
Meridian Way
Edmonton
N9 0AR
These holiday courses offer children aged 8 to 12 or 6 to 8 years expert tuition in a range of athletic skills from javelin to long jump.
From £29
020 8344 7230
www.visitleevalley.org.uk
lvac@leevalleypark.org.uk

Wild Family Fun

FREE

5 to 12 years
Wednesdays from 6 August to 27 August 2014
1pm to 3pm
Lee Valley Ice Centre
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7QL
Join us each Wednesday in August for Wild Family Fun! Each week will have a different theme. On August 6 we have Minibeast Mania, August 13 GPS Orienteering Challenge, August 20 Art of Nature and August 27 Power of Plants. Call or book online.
08456 770600
events@leevalleypark.org.uk

I Love Minibeasts Boat

0 to 12 years
Thursday 7 and 28 August 2014
1pm to 3pm
Broxbourne Riverside Moorings
New Nazeing Road
Broxbourne
EN10 6LX
Join us to learn about minibeasts in Lee Valley Park. Take a canal boat ride and then witness them in their natural habitat on a land based minibeast safari.
£9 per person
01992 462085
leevalleyboats@btconnect.com

Summer Playscheme at Low Hall

3 to 8 years
Thursday 24 July to Friday 15 August 2014
8am to 6pm
Low Hall Nursery School and Children's Centre
Low Hall Lane
Walthamstow
E17 8BE
Lots of exciting activities including painting, clay, music, soft play, pond dipping and gardening. We have qualified and DBS checked staff and an Outstanding Ofsted grade. Breakfast and tea are included.
£25 a day
Mary
020 8520 1689
school@lowhall.waltham.sch.uk

Preparing for Eid

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 10 years
Thursday 24 July 2014
10am to 1pm
Aveling Centre
Lloyd Park
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4PP
Drop in session in preparation for Eid to make paper lanterns and clay stars.
Rachel Hoyes
07787 193981
r.hoyes@tcv.org.uk

All About Bees

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 10 years
Tuesday 29 July 2014
10am to 1pm
Aveling Centre
Lloyd Park
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4PP
For Love Parks Week find out about all that buzzes in the park. Meet for a walk around the park spotting different types of bees then return to the community room for some bee art.
Rachel Hoyes
07787 193981
r.hoyes@tcv.org.uk

Butterflies – Big Butterfly Count

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 10 years
Tuesday 5 August 2014
10am to 1pm
Aveling Centre
Lloyd Park
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4PP
Take part in the drop-in Big Butterfly Count of Lloyd Park. Enjoy an hour's walk of the park learning all about butterflies and their life cycles. Then play some butterfly games and activities.
Rachel Hoyes
07787 193981
r.hoyes@tcv.org.uk

African Fabrics

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 10 years
Tuesday 12 August 2014
10am to 1pm
Aveling Centre
Lloyd Park
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4PP
Drop in and learn how different styles of fabrics are made and have a go at simple tie dye.
Rachel Hoyes
07787 193981
r.hoyes@tcv.org.uk

Bat and Moth Night

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 10 years
Tuesday 19 August 2014
7.30pm to 9pm
Community Room at the
Aveling Centre
Lloyd Park
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4PP
Explore the park at night to see if you can spot some nocturnal bats and moths and play night time games.
Rachel Hoyes
07787 193981
r.hoyes@tcv.org.uk

Childcare Solution Holiday Club

4 to 13 years
Monday 21 July to Friday 22 August 2014
8am to 6pm
Our Lady and St. George's Lower Site
140 Shernhall Street
Walthamstow
E17 9HU
(Access through St. George's car park)
We will meet your child's social and emotional needs in a safe and caring play environment. Activities will include arts and crafts, African drumming, yoga, IT, latest games consoles, table tennis, RSPCA awareness and much more.
Trips out will include London Aquarium, Horniman Museum, cinema, horse riding, Quasar and Clacton-on-Sea. Don't miss the fun!
£22 per day (if booked in advance) and sibling discount available
Amanda Smith
07961 018708 / 07572 330664
info@childcare-solution.com
www.childcare-solution.com

Better Holiday Playscheme at Walthamstow Leisure Centre

5 to 11 years
(Must be in year 1)
Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August 2014
(Excluding Bank Holidays)
8am to 6pm
Walthamstow Leisure Centre
243 Markhouse Road
Walthamstow
E17 8RN
Our Ofsted registered playscheme runs throughout the school holidays for 5 to 11 year olds. Enjoy fun packed days with castle raiders, pirates, arts and crafts, crazy competitions, indoor/outdoor sports, face painting, gymnastics and much more.
£12.80 per day or £57.80 per week
£10.70 per day or £47.50 per week (concession)
Additional £1.50 each early drop off or late pick up
Walthamstow Leisure Centre
020 8520 7464
Walthamstow@gll.org

Family Learning – Gardening Gift

4 to 12 years
Tuesday 29 July 2014
10am to 12noon
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
We will decorate a pot, create seed packets, seed markers, gift tags and hand printed gift wrap. Make a gift for a friend. Come along and enjoy!
Course Code: QRN5317 – 2P4
£1 per family
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Family Learning – Dream Catchers

4 to 12 years
Tuesday 29 July 2014
1pm to 3pm
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
Create a wonderful dream catcher using twigs, buttons and beads! Make a lovely gift. Come along and enjoy!
Course Code: QRN5319 – 2P4
£1 per family.
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Family Learning – Twig Sculpture and Dragonflies

4 to 12 years
Wednesday 30 July 2014
10am to 12noon
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
Explore the beauty of dragonflies and their life-cycle. Make your own sculpture from twigs, paint and glitter. Come along and have fun!
Course Code: QRN5320 – 3P4
£1 per family
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Family Learning – Super Spirals

4 to 12 years
Wednesday 30 July 2014
1pm to 3pm
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
Create a beautiful structure using a range of exciting materials. Come along and enjoy yourself!
Course Code: QRN5321 – 3P4
£1 per family
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Family Learning – Magical Photo Album

4 to 12 years
Tuesday 19 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
Create a lovely album using a range of folding techniques and design skills. Come along and enjoy yourself!
Course Code: LLN5322 – 2R4
£1 per family
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Family Learning – Fancy Card Purse

4 to 12 years
Tuesday 19 August 2014
1pm to 3pm
Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service
Queens Road Learning Centre
97 Queens Road
Walthamstow
E17 8QR
Make a purse using paper techniques and design your own usable purse. Have fun and enjoy yourself!
Course Code: LLN5323 – 2R4
£1 per family
(Maximum of two children per adult and no unaccompanied children or adults)
020 8496 2974
adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/adult-learning

Grow and Play

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

5 to 10 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014
(Weekdays only)
11am to 4pm
Buxton School
Terling Close
Leytonstone
E11 3NT
This project aims to show children about gardening, planting and growing healthy food and flowers teaching them an important life skill. There will also be some fun and healthy sports.
£3 per day
Carol Moloney
020 8519 7148 / 07517 860326
carol.moloney@buxtonschool.waltham.sch.uk

Summer Seven Transition Camp

10 to 11 years (September's year 7 only)
Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014
(Weekdays only)
11am to 4pm
(Times for Adventure Camp will be confirmed after booking)
Buxton School
Terling Close
Leytonstone
E11 3NT
PGL Wiltshire (two week summer camp)
Summer Seven Transition Camp provides an excellent opportunity for new pupils to understand what and how they will be studying in year 7. The Summer Camp will include some maths, literacy and sports in their new school. Participants will also go to an adventure camp for a week to develop friendships, team building and confidence skills.
£20 non-returnable deposit
Carol Moloney or Mahfuza Patel
020 8519 7148 / 07517 860320
carol.moloney@buxtonschool.waltham.sch.uk

Mythical Maze: Summer Reading Challenge 2014

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

2 to 12 years
Saturday 12 July to Sunday 14 September 2014
All Waltham Forest Libraries
Visit our website for opening times

On your marks, get set – read! An amazing adventure awaits children when they take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. By simply reading six books from the library, they can meet some of mythology's most fantastical creatures and collect stickers and prizes along the way.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk

Dragon and Princess DIY

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 10 years
Saturday 12 July 2014
10am to 3.30pm
Hale End Library
Castle Avenue
Highams Park
E4 9QD

Higham Hill Library
North Countess Road
Walthamstow
E17 5HF

Drop in throughout the day to try your hand at a selection of themed craft activities to celebrate the launch of 'Mythical Maze' Summer Reading Challenge 2014.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk

The Yes: Author Visit by Sarah Bee

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

3 to 8 years
Saturday 12 July 2014
11am to 12noon – Leytonstone Library
2pm to 3pm – Wood Street Library
Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG

Wood Street Library
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4AA

Join children's author Sarah Bee as she takes us on an adventure through her new picture book 'The Yes' and gives children the opportunity to bring their own unique voice to the story. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

E17 Puppet Project presents In the Shadow of the War

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

5 to 13 years
Saturday 12 July 2014
5pm to 8pm – Lea Bridge Library
4pm to 6pm – Higham Hill Library
Lea Bridge Library
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7HU

Higham Hill Library
North Countess Road
Walthamstow
E17 5HF

Come and share Michael Morpurgo's novel 'Private Peaceful' through creating your own puppets and props, then project them to an audience! Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Rant and Rave

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 11 years
Friday 25 July 2014
1pm to 2pm – Higham Hill Library
3.30pm to 4.30pm – Wood Street Library
Higham Hill Library
North Countess Road
Walthamstow
E17 5HF

Wood Street Library
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4AA

Dress up, act out, laugh, perform and play! Become a character and let loose at this poetry and percussion workshop with author Anne Stairmand. All materials and instruments provided.

Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Bricks and Tricks: Castlemania

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

5 to 10 years
Monday 28 July 2014
1pm to 2pm – North Chingford Library
3.30pm to 4.30pm – Leytonstone Library
Tuesday 29 July 2014
11.30am to 12.30pm – Walthamstow Library
2.30pm to 3.30pm – Lea Bridge Library
North Chingford Library
The Green
Chingford
E4 7EN

Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG

Walthamstow Library
High Street
Walthamstow
E17 7JN

Lea Bridge Library
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7HU

If you love Lego you will love this building workshop with our master 'architect of the miniature' Rob Spinks. Join us for a castle building frenzy! Book early to avoid disappointment. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Creeping, Crawling, Slithering, Sliding…

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

5 to 11 years

Friday 25 July 2014
11am to 12noon – Walthamstow Library
Friday 1 August 2014
3pm to 4pm – Leytonstone Library
Thursday 7 August 2014
3pm to 4pm – Lea Bridge Library
Friday 15 August 2014
11am to 12noon – North Chingford Library
Wednesday 27 August 2014
11am to 12noon – Leyton Library

Walthamstow Library
High Street
Walthamstow
E17 7JN

Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG

Lea Bridge Library
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7HU

North Chingford Library
The Green
Chingford
E4 7EN

Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH

Join staff from Suntrap Environmental Education Centre as they bring some special visitors to our libraries. Expect hissing cockroaches, giant African land snails, stick insects, fire salamanders, snakes and more! Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Explore: Creative Writing

FREE

7 to 11 years

Friday 1 August 2014
1.30pm to 2.30pm – Leyton Library
Thursday 14 August 2014
1.30pm to 2.30pm – Walthamstow Library
Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH

Walthamstow Library
High Street
Walthamstow
E17 7JN
Discover the wonderful world of your own imagination. Sharpen your pencils and your creative writing skills as you learn new ways to develop characters and stories. Workshop delivered by Explore Learning. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Explore: Revolting Rhymes

FREE

5 to 8 years

Friday 1 August 2014
11am to 12noon – Leyton Library

Wednesday 6 August 2014
12.30pm to 1.30pm – Hale End Library

Thursday 14 August 2014
11am to 12noon – Walthamstow Library

Tuesday 19 August 2014
11am to 12noon – North Chingford Library

Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH

Hale End Library
Castle Avenue
Highams Park
E4 9QD

Walthamstow Library
High Street
Walthamstow
E17 7JN

North Chingford Library
The Green
Chingford
E4 7EN
Based around the characters created in Roald Dahl's crazy collection of poems, this workshop will investigate how Dahl describes his characters and how descriptive words hint at their personalities. Workshop delivered by Explore Learning. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Explore: The Gruffalo

FREE

5 to 7 years

Wednesday 6 August 2014
3.30pm to 4.30pm
Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG
"Oh help! Oh no! It's a Gruffalo!" Get set to meet the terrifying Gruffalo in this fun-filled workshop designed to develop literacy skills through rhyme and description. Workshop delivered by Explore Learning. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Explore: Captain Underpants

FREE

7 to 10 years

Friday 8 August 2014
2.30pm to 3.30pm
Higham Hill Library
North Countess Road
Walthamstow
E17 5HF
Using the adventures of Captain Underpants to inspire you, design and create your own comic strip! Workshop delivered by Explore Learning. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Explore: The Groovy Greeks

FREE

8 to 10 years

Friday 8 August 2014
12.30pm to 1.30pm
Tuesday 19 August 2014
1.30pm to 2.30pm
Wood Street Library
Forest Road
Walthamstow
E17 4AA
Travel to mythical ancient Greece in this interactive workshop. Find out all about the Gods and what the ancient Greeks did for us. Workshop delivered by Explore Learning. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Pop-up Picture House presents: Muppets Most Wanted (U)

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 11 years
Thursday 7 August 2014
11am to 1pm
Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH
While on a grand world tour, The Muppets find themselves caught up in a jewel-heist caper around Europe headed by a Kermit the Frog lookalike and his dastardly sidekick. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Pop-up Picture House presents: Frozen (PG)

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 11 years
Saturday 9 August 2014
11am to 1pm
Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG
When Queen Elsa's icy powers get out of her control, her sister Anna goes on an epic journey, encountering Everest-like conditions, on a quest to save the kingdom from eternal winter. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Pop-up Picture House presents: Mr. Peabody & Sherman (U)

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 11 years
Wednesday 20 August 2014
1pm to 3pm
Hale End Library
Castle Avenue
Highams Park
E4 9QD
Using his most ingenious invention, Mr. Peabody & Sherman hurtle back in time on an adventure through history, but can they save the future? Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Pop-up Picture House presents: The Lego Movie (U)

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 13 years
Saturday 23 August 2014
11am to 1pm
Leytonstone Library
6 Church Lane
Leytonstone
E11 1HG
The wicked Lord Business is determined to destroy the very nature of the Lego universe. Can the rather ordinary Emmet find something extraordinary within himself in order to save the world? Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Roald Dahl Day

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

4 to 10 years
Saturday 13 September 2014
10.30am to 11.30am
Higham Hill Library
North Countess Road
Walthamstow
E17 5HF
Oompa Loompas ahoy! Join us for a wonderous, Wonka-tastic craft session to mark the 50th anniversary of Roald Dahl's children's classic Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
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www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

E17 Puppet Project presents: In the Shadow of the War

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

5 to 13 years
Saturday 13 September 2014
5pm to 8pm
Lea Bridge Library
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7HU
Come and share Michael Morpurgo's novel 'Private Peaceful' through creating your own puppets and props, then project them to an audience! Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
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www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Yellow Birds Holiday Club

3 to 13 years
Monday 28 July 2014 to Wednesday 3 September 2014
(Weekdays)
8am to 6pm
South Chingford Methodist Church.
3 New Road
Chingford
E4 9EU
We provide for all your childcare needs between 8am to 6pm weekdays. Our programmes include trips, sports, drama, music, dance and cookery. For a full list of all our planned activities as well as details of our free play toys, activities and resources please email Ella.
From £23.00 a day (discount for sibling)
10% off when booking a week
Ella Parkinson
020 8531 9658 / 07723 332493
YellowBirdsinfo@aol.com

Holiday Playscheme at The Limes

PARTLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

(For children with a disability)

5 to 12 years

Monday 11 to Wednesday 13 August 2014
Monday 18 to Wednesday 20 August 2014
Wednesday 27 to Friday 29 August 2014
10am to 3.30pm

The Limes Community and Children's Centre
William Morris Hall
6 Somers Road
Walthamstow
E17 6RX

The Limes provides a range of fun activities from gardening, cooking, arts and crafts to trips out to museums the local park and much more. The Limes has an outdoor adventure playground, soft play area, sensory room and kitchen. All facilities are fully accessible. Personal care can be provided. Staffing ratios: 1:1 or 4:1 depending upon the needs of the individual child.

£7.50 and 5½ short break hours for those with an allocation
£16.50 for non-disabled children.
Please get in touch for Direct Payment options

020 8509 8985
admin@thelimes.org.uk

Schools Open for Summer

Free activities at primary schools

Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014

Take part in our brilliant activities for children aged 5 to 11 years. You'll find multi-sports, street dance, cycling, arts and crafts, magic shows, poetry and games. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

10am-12.30pm

Chingford C of E Junior School
Cambridge Road
Chingford E4 7BP

Greenleaf Primary School
Greenleaf Road
Walthamstow E17 6QW

Barn Croft Primary School
2 Brunel Road
Walthamstow E17 8SB

St Joseph's Catholic Juniors School
Vicarage Road
Leyton E10 5DX

1.30pm-4pm

Parkside Primary School
Wellington Avenue entrance
via Peel Close
Chingford, E4 6RE

Chapel End Infants School and Early Years Centre
3 Beresford Road
Walthamstow E17 4LN

Coppermill Primary School
Edward Road
Walthamstow E17 6PB

Downsell Primary School
Downsell Road
Leyton E15 2BS

Activities and events for 11-19 years

Whether you want to get outside and learn a new sport or kick back with your mates and enjoy an epic Marvel blockbuster, there's loads of fun to be had for older kids.

Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association Summer Transition Club

FREE

11 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August 2014
10am to 3pm
Forest School
Snaresbrook
E17 3PY
The club helps prepare children with dyslexia/dyspraxia for the move up into secondary school in September. Fun activities include swimming, dance, art, woodwork and sport as well as coping skills.
Helen Bigham
07702 601897
Helen@wfda.org.uk

Junior Fitness at Peter May Sports Centre

11 to 15 years
Monday 28 July to Sunday 31 August 2014
Monday to Friday 12noon to 3pm (60 minute sessions)
Saturday to Sunday 12noon to 1.30pm (45 minute sessions)
Peter May Sports Centre
135 Wadham Road
Walthamstow
E17 4HR
Supervised sessions in the fitness centre with fitness instructors on hand to provide personal programmes.
£3.30
020 8531 9358
Petermay@gll.org

Badminton

11 to 15 years
Monday 28 July to Sunday 31 August 2014
Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm (60 minute courts)
Saturday to Sunday 9am to 6pm (60 minute courts)
Peter May Sports Centre
135 Wadham Road
Walthamstow
E17 4HR
Drop in badminton sessions.
£3.65
020 8531 9358
Petermay@gll.org

TSP Youth Space Summer Holiday Programme

8 to 14 years
Monday 4 to Friday 22 August 2014
9.30am to 3.30pm
TSP Youth Space
(Upstairs at Tumble in the Jungle)
245 Wood Street
Walthamstow
E17 3NT
Singing, street dance, drama, sports, graphics, video and music production, Xbox, pool, trips and much more.
On 22 August at 12noon to 4pm there will be a Summer Jam outdoor party with a BBQ, bouncy castle and music.
£5 per day
£3 per person for Summer Jam
Bring packed lunch or £3 for buffet lunch
Mickaela
020 8045 4523
enquiries@thesoulproject.com

Buxton Extra

12 to 19 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2014 (Weekdays only)
11am to 4pm
Buxton School
Terling Close
Leytonstone
E11 3NT
This programme is organised, planned and managed by young people. We offer football, table tennis, badminton, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, volunteering opportunities, gardening and a Chill Out Zone (music and games for teenagers). This programme also engages young people in photography, fundraising, marketing and events management making an impact on their learning, their school and the community.
£3 per day
Carol Moloney
020 8519 7148 / 07517 860326
carol.moloney@buxtonschool.waltham.sch.uk

Dig Leytonstone – Archaeology Project

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

10 to 15 years
Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August 2014
Monday 11 to Friday 15 August 2014
11am to 4pm
Buxton School
Terling Close
Leytonstone
E11 3NT
Young people will help to develop their own archaeological project, displays, artwork and project outcomes researching the past of their local area. They will also be taking part in test pit excavations and surveys alongside experts. Plus an exclusive visit to the Museum of London!
£3 per day
Carol Moloney
020 8519 7148 / 07517 860326
carol.moloney@buxtonschool.waltham.sch.uk

Pop-up Picture House presents: Captain America – The Winter Soldier (12A)

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

12 to 17 years
Thursday 21 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH
As Captain America struggles to embrace his role in the modern world, he battles a new threat from old history: the Soviet agent known as the Winter Soldier. Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library. Note: Under 12s must be accompanied by a parent.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Velodrome Track Holiday Club

12 to 16 years
Tuesday 29 July to Wednesday 27 August 2014
Tuesdays 2.30pm to 4.30pm
Wednesdays 1pm to 3pm
Lee Valley VeloPark
Abercrombie Road
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
Stratford
E20 3AB
Our summer sessions are perfect for the kids to burn off some excess energy as they get to grips with handling their bike and learning new skills. All participants must come with a signed parental/guardian consent form otherwise they will not be allowed to participate. Bike hire and helmet is included in the session.
£22 per session
Lee Valley VeloPark
08456 770603
velopark@leevalleypark.org.uk

BMX Holiday Club

7 to 16 years

Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August 2014
Mondays 11.30am to 12.30pm
Wednesdays 11.30am to 12.30pm
Fridays 11.30am to 12.30pm
Lee Valley VeloPark
Abercrombie Road
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
Stratford
E20 3AB
Our summer sessions are perfect for the kids to burn off some excess energy as they get to grips with handling their bike and learning new skills. All participants must come with a signed parental consent form otherwise they will not be allowed to participate. Bike hire and helmet is included in the session.
£12 per session
Lee Valley VeloPark
08456 770603
velopark@leevalleypark.org.uk

Mountain Bike Holiday Club

10 to 16 years

Tuesdays 5 August to 26 August 2014
11.30am to 12.30pm
Lee Valley VeloPark
Abercrombie Road
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
Stratford
E20 3AB
Our summer sessions are perfect for the kids to burn off some excess energy as they get to grips with handling their bike and learning new skills. All participants must come with a signed parental consent form otherwise they will not be allowed to participate. Bike hire and helmet is included in the session.
£12 per session
Lee Valley VeloPark
08456 770 603
velopark@leevalleypark.org.uk

Road Holiday Club

12 to 16 years

Thursdays 7 to 28 August 2014
11.30am to 12.30pm
Lee Valley VeloPark
Abercrombie Road
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
Stratford
E20 3AB
Our summer sessions are perfect for the kids to burn off some excess energy as they get to grips with handling their bike and learning new skills. All participants must come with a signed parental consent form otherwise they will not be allowed to participate. Bike hire and helmet is included in the session.
£12 per session
Lee Valley Velopark
08456 770 603
velopark@leevalleypark.org.uk

Holiday Teenscheme at The Limes

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED
(For children with a disability)

13 to 17 years

Thursday 7 and Friday 8 August 2014
Thursday 14 and Friday 15 August 2014
Thursday 21and Friday 22 August 2014
10am to 3.30pm
The Limes Community and Children's Centre
William Morris Hall
6 Somers Road
Walthamstow
E17 6RX
The Limes provides a range of fun activities from gardening, cooking, arts and crafts to trips out to museums, music performances and much more. The Limes has an outdoor adventure playground, soft play area, sensory room and kitchen as well as the main hall. All facilities are fully accessible. Personal care can be provided. Staffing ratios: 1:1 or 4:1 depending upon the needs of the individual.
£7.50 and 5½ short break hours for those with an allocation. £16.50 for non-disabled young people. Please get in touch for Direct Payment options
020 8509 8985
admin@thelimes.org.uk

Activities and events for all ages

Parents and carers are welcome at all of these events, so there's no excuse for the whole family not to get involved.

Oh I do like to be beside the… Farms

All ages
Saturday 26 July to Sunday 31 August 2014
10am to 5pm
Lee Valley Park Farms
Stubbins Hall Lane
Waltham Abbey
EN9 2EF
The best of the British beach holiday comes to the farms this summer. Check the website for daily activities.
£9 Adults
£8 Child
Free for under 2s
Public Park Authority
01992 892781
farms@leevalleypark.org.uk

International Horseball Competition

FREE

All ages
Saturday 26 to Sunday 27 July 2014
10.30am to 3.30pm
Lee Valley Riding Centre
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7QL
Come and watch this amazing adrenaline sport. Marvel at world class players as well as junior and novice teams. Refreshments available from the Nosebag Café.
020 8556 2629
ridingcentre@leevalleypark.org.uk

Wild About Wetlands

FREE

All ages
Tuesday 29 July 2014
10am to 3.30pm
Waltham Abbey Gardens
Abbey View
Waltham Abbey
EN9 1XQ
Take part in a host of free activities including pond dipping, dragonfly quizzes, natural arts and crafts and a treasure trail. See owls, bats and bees too!
08456 770600
events@leevalleypark.org.uk

Petunia's Pick – Peppa Pig at the Farms

All ages
Wednesday 30 July 2014
10am to 5pm
Lee Valley Park Farms
Stubbins Hall Lane
Waltham Abbey
EN9 2EF
Peppa Pig will be making five appearances at intervals throughout the day so don't miss this opportunity to come and see her! Advanced entry tickets available online.
£9 Adult
£8 Child
Free Under 2s
01992 892781
farms@leevalleypark.org.uk

Community Haystacks

All ages
(Over 18s only for scything workshops)
Friday 1 to Sunday 3 August 2014
Times vary, please check our website for details
Walthamstow Marshes
Lea Bridge Road
Leyton
E10 7QL
A three day Community Hay Harvest on Walthamstow Marshes with daily two-hour scything workshops, 'bring your own picnic' public talks and a free family community harvest festival on Sunday.
Sunday family festival FREE
£5 per scything workshop
08456 770600
events@leevalleypark.org.uk

Go Batty

All ages
Thursday 28 August 2014
7pm to 9.30pm
Lee Valley Park Farms
Stubbins Hall Lane
Waltham Abbey
EN9 2EF
Join a local expert to learn about the bats of the Lee Valley with an illustrated talk followed by a night-time walk through the park with bat detectors.
£5.50 Adults
£4 Children
08456 770600
Events@leevalleypark.org.uk

Barracudas Activity Day Camps

4½ to 16 years
Monday 28 July 2014 to Friday 22 August 2014
8.30am to 5.30pm
(8am to 6pm extended hours available – please see our website for more details)
Woodford County High School
High Road
Woodford Green
IG8 9LA
Barracudas offer 80+ fun and exciting activities for children to choose from during the summer holidays. Over 22 years of experience, all our sites are OFSTED registered and our staff are DBS checked.
From £37.00 per day and from £144.00 per week.
08451 235299
www.barracudas.co.uk
info@barracudas.co.uk

Open Day

FREE

All ages
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Saturday 19 July 2014
11am to 3pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Join us for a taster of some exciting activities. Try pond dipping, minibeast hunting, explore the Forest with your senses and find out how you can get involved.
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Minibeasts

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Tuesday 5 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Wednesday 27 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Learn how to look more closely for the creepy crawlies all around us in trees, grasses and under logs and stones. Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Plants and Trees

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Wednesday 6 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Discover more about the plants and trees that grow in the Forest. How old are they? What can they tell us? Why are they useful? Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Pond Dipping

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Thursday 7 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Tuesday 19 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Discover all the amazing animals that live in our ponds. Investigate what lives where, watch how they move and find out what they eat. Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Navigation

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Tuesday 12 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Find out how to find your way in the Forest using a map, compass or journey stick! Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Art and Craft

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Wednesday 13 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Two hours of arty crafty Forest fun! Learn to look at the Forest from a different perspective and create art using natural materials. Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Sensory Adventure

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Thursday 14 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Find out more about your senses and how we can use them to explore the Forest in new ways. Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Family Course: Bats Walk

7 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Wednesday 20 August 2014
7pm to 9.30pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Come and learn about the bats we have in the Forest, see bat specimens close up in the classroom and have a chance to spot some bats. Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 per person
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Forest Families: Mammals and Tracking

5 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Thursday 21 August 2014
10am to 12noon
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Learn about some of the animals that live in the Forest and how to track them. Maybe we'll even see a mouse! Booking is required.
Cost is per session:
£6 – 5 to 11 years
£2 – 0 to 5 years
£2 – 12 years and over
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Family Course: Survival Skills

7 years and over
(Children must be accompanied by an adult)
Thursday 28 August 2014
2pm to 4pm
Epping Forest Field Centre
Paul's Nursery Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AF
Find out what we need to survive, build a shelter in the Forest from natural materials and think about how to enjoy the Forest without leaving a trace. Booking is required.
£6 per person
020 8502 8500
enquiries.ef@field-studies-council.org

Extreme Holiday Activities

4 ½ to 15 years
Monday 7 July to Friday 29 August 2014
8am to 6pm
Sylvestrian Leisure Centre, Forest School
College Place
Snaresbrook
E17 3PY
This fun-filled camp will consist of swimming, inflatables, go karts, petting zoo, roller discos, arts and crafts, multi sports, laser tag, archery and much much more. We will ensure your children's safety is paramount and they will be returned to you happy and exhausted at the end of the day.
From £32 per day
From £128 per week
020 8509 6526

Amazing Suntrap Animals – Activity day for disabled children only

FREE

4 to 18 years
Friday 1 and Tuesday 26 August 2014
10am to 3pm
Suntrap Forest Education Centre
Church Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AJ
A fun day of animal activities for families with a disabled child, including pond dipping, exploring Epping Forest and meeting the Suntrap animals. Please bring a packed lunch. Children must be accompanied by an adult, brothers and sisters welcome and a maximum of 3 children per adult.
020 8508 0611
Suntrap.centre@walthamforest.gov.uk

Bush Craft at Suntrap – Activity day for disabled children only

FREE

4 to 18 years
Wednesday 13 and Friday 22 August 2014
10am to 3pm
Suntrap Forest Education Centre
Church Road
High Beach
Loughton
IG10 4AJ
A fun day of bush craft in Epping Forest for families with a disabled child, including building shelter and cooking on camp fires. Please bring a packed lunch. Children must be accompanied by an adult, brothers and sisters welcome and a maximum of 3 children per adult.
020 8508 0611
Suntrap.centre@walthamforest.gov.uk

Fun Family Swims at Leyton Leisure Centre

All ages

Various throughout the week

Leyton Leisure Centre
763 High Road
Leyton
E10 5AB

This is a fun swim for everyone with the Aqua Play (under 8s area) and the flume in operation. No swimming lanes operate during this session. Just come along at the times listed on the website and enjoy your swim in our pool. Swim safely rules apply.
£4.30 adult (non-members)
£2.15 children (non-members)
020 8558 8858
leyton@gll.org
www.better.org.uk/leyton

Short Course Swimming Lessons

5 years and over

Monday 28 July to Friday 29 August 2014 (weekdays)
8am to 8.30am and 8.30am to 9am

Leyton Leisure Centre
763 High Road
Leyton
E10 5AB

Come and join us for summer holiday short course swimming lessons. Available for Stages 1 and 2 in the mornings throughout the holidays.
£21.95 for 5 days
020 8558 8858
leyton@gll.org

Swimming Lessons Short Courses

3 years and over

Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August 2014
Monday 11 August to Friday 15 August 2014
8am to 10am

Chingford Leisure Centre
Unit 4 Larkswood Leisure Park
New Road
Chingford
E4 9EY

All of our holiday short courses are instructed by fully qualified ASA Level 2 Swimming Instructors and follow the ASA learn to swim framework. Short Courses are more intense and a faster way to learn to swim.
£22.25 Standard
£12.75 Concessions
020 8523 8215
www.better.org.uk/leisure/chingford-leisure-centre

Mini Water Polo

Stage 5+ (based on ability)

Tuesday 5 August 2014
9am to 9.45am

Chingford Leisure Centre
Unit 4 Larkswood Leisure Park
New Road
Chingford
E4 7NL

Mini water polo is new to Chingford Leisure Centre. Sport played in the teaching pool. Teaching basic skills rules and game play.
£5.95 Standard
£3.30 Concessions
020 8523 8215
www.better.org.uk/leisure/chingford-leisure-centre

Junior Dive Beginner

Stage 6+ (based on ability)

Thursday 7 and Tuesday 26 August 2014
9am to 9.45am

Chingford Leisure Centre
Unit 4 Larkswood Leisure Park
New Road
Chingford
E4 9EY

Fun junior diving classes for beginners.
£5.95 Standard
£3.30 Concessions
020 8523 8215
www.better.org.uk/leisure/chingford-leisure-centre

Introducing… Homer's 'Odyssey' Remixed

FULLY COUNCIL FUNDED

FREE

7 years and over

Saturday 12 July 2014
10.30am to 11.15am – North Chingford Library
1pm to 1.45pm – Walthamstow Library
3pm to 3.45pm – Leyton Library

North Chingford Library
The Green
Chingford
E4 7EN

Walthamstow Library
High Street
Walthamstow
E17 7JN

Leyton Library
High Road
Leyton
E10 5QH

The war is over but the journey home is just beginning. Will Odysseus make it back to Ithaca? One thing's certain in this family friendly storytelling session, it's going to be epic!
Visit our website to reserve your place or book at the library.
020 8496 3000
librarypromotions@walthamforest.gov.uk
www.wflibraries.eventbrite.com

Parks and open spaces

While you might not immediately think it when you first get off the tube in Walthamstow, Leyton or Leytonstone, Waltham Forest is actually one of London's greenest boroughs.

We know how much you and your family love going for a stroll, chilling out with a book or kicking a ball about in your local park, and that's why the Council has invested £2million in improving play areas and invested further in a range of parks, including Leyton Jubilee Park, Drapers Field and Abbots Park.

Depending on which park you pick you can explore nature trails, turn your whites into greens whilst playing cricket, shoot some hoops playing basketball or test your skills – and your nerve – perfecting your skateboarding skills.

Some of our premier parks are:

Leyton Jubilee Park, Seymour Road, Leyton, E10 7BL
Giant pirate ship play area, mini and junior football pitches and nature reserve

Lloyd Park, Walthamstow, E17 5JW
William Morris Gallery, skate park, outdoor gym, basketball and tennis courts, moat and island

Ridgeway Park, Peel Close, off Old Church Road, Chingford E4 6XU
Miniature railway, outdoor gym, play areas and picnic areas

Drapers Field, High Road Leyton, Leyton, E15 2DD
Play areas, table tennis, ecology areas, junior grass pitch and café

Coronation Gardens, High Road Leyton, Leyton, E10
Fountain, pond, maze and ornamental gardens

Langthorne Park, Langthorne Road, Leytonstone, E11 4YG
Streetball court, tennis wall, traversing, climbing wall and outdoor gym equipment

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/parks

The William Morris Gallery

Since reopening in 2012 over 100,000 people have flocked to the award winning William Morris Gallery to immerse themselves in the life of one of the country's most famous designers.

Designed to appeal to ardent Morris experts as well as casual art fans who just want a nice day out, the Gallery also offers interactive displays that will amuse and entertain its youngest visitors.

After exploring the permanent displays and stunning temporary exhibitions you can relax with a cup of coffee in the tea room before taking a leisurely stroll around neighbouring Lloyd Park.

The Gallery also hosts regular talks, events and arts sessions, many of which are specifically geared towards families and younger residents – visit **www.wmgallery.org.uk** for full listings and regular updates.

The William Morris Gallery (Lloyd Park, Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 4PP) is open Wednesday to Sunday, 10am-5pm and entry is free.

Vestry House Museum

Fittingly located in the heart of the historic Walthamstow Village, the Vestry House Museum offers wonderful insights into how the borough has changed over the years and the lives of those who have lived and worked here.

As well as permanent displays (which include the famous Bremer car, vintage toys and games and a recreated scene from an 1860s police cell). The Museum's enthralling permanent collection is complimented by one-off family events and regular temporary exhibitions. Visit the website for more information.

The Vestry House Museum (Vestry Road, Walthamstow E17 9NH) is open Wednesday to Sunday, 10am-5pm and entry is free.

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/vestry-house-museum

Libraries

Waltham Forest's libraries host regular family-friendly events throughout the year, and this year we've once again pulled out all the stops to ensure kids have something fun to do at their local library. Whether you've got a toddler who just loves rhymetime or an older child who wants to take on the summer reading challenge or catch a corking animated flick at the pop-up cinema. There's sure to be fun to be had while you enjoy the quiet, turn the pages of the latest paperback thriller or download your favourite ebook.

For a list of all Waltham Forest libraries or to find out what's on, visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/libraries**

Leisure Centres

While there are tonnes of sporting opportunities on offer across the borough, don't forget there's always the opportunity to work up a sweat or have a splash in the pool at a leisure centre near you. The great news for under 18s is that there are stacks of free swimming opportunities at Council-owned leisure centres, so visit **www.better.org.uk/areas/waltham-forest** to find out more.

Waltham Forest Get Together

Let's get together for some great events

FREE EVENTS
NO TICKET REQUIRED

We've put together another great events programme for 2014, providing free entertainment across the borough for you and your family.

We've got days full of live music, arts, carnivals and activities, and one of the world's most famous sporting events in the form of Le Tour de France. There really is something for everyone.

Turn over to find out more.

Tour de France Family Fun Day

Sunday 6 July, 1pm–6pm

Leyton Jubilee Park, Seymour Road, Leyton E10 7BL

Celebrate one of the most famous sporting events coming to Waltham Forest. Join us for a fun-filled sports themed event with activities and entertainment as well as a huge selection of British and French themed food and drink stalls. On **Monday 7 July** the Tour de France will also be coming to the borough. Don't miss this historic occasion where you can watch and cheer on the cyclists from allocated viewing points along the route. For more information visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/tourdefrance**

Leyton Big Weekender

Saturday 19 July and Sunday 20 July, 1pm–6pm

Leyton Cricket Ground, Crawley Road, Leyton E10 6RJ

Two day family festival hosted by **DJ Daddy Ernie**. Saturday will feature live bands including **Tina T and Do You Wanna Funk**, entertainment, a funfair and free activities for all the family. Sunday has all the same fun again including the return of our landmark Waltham Forest Caribbean Carnival with colourful costumes and uplifting music.

Walthamstow Garden Party

Saturday 26 July, 12noon–9pm Sunday 27 July, 12noon–8pm

Lloyd Park (behind the William Morris Gallery) Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 5JW

Join us for two days of music, theatre, arts and crafts, food and family activity in Walthamstow's beautiful Lloyd Park. We are delighted to welcome the legendary **Bobby Womack** for a headline performance on Saturday and **Tiken Jah Fakoly** on Sunday. Organised in conjunction with Barbican and Create London.

Chingford Big Weekender

Saturday 9 August, 2pm–7pm Sunday 10 August, 1pm–6pm

Ridge Way Park, Chingford E4 6RS

Chingford's Big Weekender returns again this year. Saturday boasts a stellar live music line up including **Sister Sledge, Alexander O'Neal** and **Gwen Dickie** (Rose Royce) with some of our best local talent also taking the stage. Sunday provides a day of fun with free activities including a funfair, bouncy castles, peddle carts and climbing walls for all the family to enjoy in the park.

Leytonstone Big Weekender

Saturday 6 September, 1pm–5pm Sunday 7 September, 1pm–6pm

Cathall Green, E11 **Leytonstone High Road, E11**

A weekend packed full of arts, culture and live music. Saturday features a day of arts and entertainment for all the family at Cathall Green, while Sunday features the annual car-free day. Full of activities, demonstrations and musical performances, this year's event on Leytonstone High Road is headlined by **Geno Washington**.

Still want more?

Check the Council What's On calendar: www.walthamforest.gov.uk/whats-on for the latest events in and around the borough. For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together or call 020 8496 3000

Waltham Forest

Women's Night

Every Monday, 7–9.30pm
ELOP Centre, 56/60 Grove Road, E17 9BN
This group is open to all lesbian and bisexual women, as well as those exploring their sexual orientation. It's informal and social and continues to welcome new people on a regular basis as well as those who have attended previously. Entry costs just £2. **For more information phone 020 8509 3898 or email info@elop.org.**

LGBT Social Support Afternoon

Every Thursday, 2.30–4.30pm
ELOP Centre, 56/60 Grove Road, E17 9BN
This is a daytime group for all men and women who have same sex attraction to come along and meet others in a safe space away from the scene. This is one of the few daytime drop-in social groups in London for LGBT people. Entry costs just £2. **For more information phone 020 8509 3898 or email info@elop.org.**

Western Front Association – East London Branch

Third Thursday of every month
Waltham Forest Sports and Social Club, Forest Road, E17 4JF
Are you interested in the Great War? You can meet like minded people who are interested in the First World War. Different speaker every month. New members welcome. **For more information phone Neil Pearce on 079565 41897 or email pearce.neil@ntlworld.com.**

Affordable Psychotherapy in English and Spanish

Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm
Near Blackhorse Road Station
Short and long term psychotherapy for individuals and couples. Sliding scale of fees, meaning that everyone can access psychotherapy. Concessions for students, unwaged and retired people. **For more information phone Valeria Bonfiglio on 07912 887 588, email vb.psychologist@gmail.com or visit www.valeriabonfiglio.co.uk.**

The Mill Summer Bee-zaar

Saturday 5 July, 2–5pm
The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA
An afternoon of fun and games for the family, and a celebration of the season – stalls, refreshments, games, music and lots of information and advice about bees! **For more information phone 020 8521 3211 or visit http://themill-coppermill.org.**

Culture and crafts

Red Imp Comedy Club

Monday 7 July, 8.30pm
Ye Olde Rose and Crown Theatre Pub, 53–55 Hoe Street, E17 4SA
Shappi Khorsandi – star of Live At The Apollo – and Paul Sinah – star of ITV's The Chase – will each perform an hour of work in progress. Entry costs £12. Limited number of tickets available on the door. Buy tickets in advance from www.wegottickets.com/event/276306. **For more information visit www.redimpcomedy.com or phone 020 8509 3880.**

Photographic Summer Course

Mondays; 30 June to 18 August, 7.45–10pm
Greenleaf Baptist Church Hall, 4 Greenleaf Road, E17 6QQ
Join Walthamstow and District Photographic Society for their summer photographic course. **For more information, or to book, visit www.wdps.org or email info@wdps.org.**

The Chicken Shack

Friday 18 July, 7.30–11.30pm
Venue 92, Rolls Sports Ground, 14a Hickmans Avenue, E4 9JG
The Chicken Shack is proud to present the Alleycats and Miss Aloha for a spectacular night of fifties rock 'n' roll. Venue has a large dance floor and plenty of parking. Tickets are £10 in advance or £12.50 on the door, advance tickets from wegottickets.com. **For more information, or to book tickets, email info@the-chicken-shack.com or visit www.the-chicken-shack.com.**

Songs of War and Peace

Sunday 13 July, 4.30pm
Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, E17 4JF
Natural Voices Choir has joined forces with charity Shapeshifter Productions and has brought together over 100 singers, Walthamstow Acoustic Massive, E17 Jazz Collective and special guests for a huge community concert commemorating the centenary of the start of World War I. **Tickets on sale now from www.eventbrite.com/e/songs-of-war-and-peace-tickets-10972395731**

She17 #Selfies

Friday 25 July, 7.45pm
The Grove Cafe, 21 Hatherley Mews, E17
Local female singer/songwriter showcase featuring original songs by some of She17's best musicians and songwriters, including Sam Kurt, SULK, Jo Winning and more. **£3 admission, payable on the door. For more information visit www.she17.com**

London Gallery Quire

Saturday 28 June, 7pm
St Peter's in the Forest, E17 3PP
Enjoy a summer's evening of rousing four part harmony and entertaining readings from the Georgian Period. Prosecco and strawberries served in the interval. Entry £5 by programme. **For more information on the event please phone Sarah Collins 020 8509 1811 or email peterhousecentre@btconnect.com.**

Jewellery Making Summer Workshops

Wednesdays and Saturdays
124 Farnan Avenue, E17 4NH
Summer fun for adults and children aged twelve and over. Jewellery and ornaments to make in July and August, no experience necessary. Make a Beach Bling Charm Bracelet, Suncatcher, Wire Crochet Necklace and more. 2.5 hour class costs £20 for adults and £15 for Children. Classes are small and friendly, booking is essential. **For more info and other workshops visit www.beyondbeading.co.uk or phone Birgit on 07910 251 629.**

Paul Jones and Friends

Friday 18 July, 7.30pm
Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road, E4 7EN
Star of the Manfreds and his own Blues Band, Paul Jones has been a household name since his hit-making days of the 1960s. In this special one-off fundraising event for the National Jazz Archive, Paul brings an A-team of British blues and jazz stars to sing blues standards and some of his hits as well. His all-star group features trumpeter Digby Fairweather, Julian Marc Stringle on reeds, Tim Huskisson on keyboards, Murray Salmon on bass and Pete Cater on drums.
Tickets cost £20 and are available at www.nationaljazzarchive.org.uk/events or by phone on 020 8502 4701.

The Soul Project – Michael Jackson Tribute

Wednesday 9 July, 6–7.30pm
The Soul Project Family Activity Centre, 245 Wood Street, E17 3NT
Young people from TSP Youth Space will perform a tribute to Michael Jackson to mark the fifth anniversary of his death. Rehearsals are well underway and the young performers are hoping for a good sized crowd to attend the event. Entry is free and the show is suitable for families. **For more information visit www.thesoulproject.co.uk or phone 0870 626 0710.**

Tomorrow's Musicians Concert

Friday 18 July, 7.30pm
Temple of Truth Church Hall, 138 Higham Hill Road, E17 6EJ
Come and see musicians of tomorrow strut their stuff. The performer's ages range from five to 24 years, different genres of music will be represented vocally and on a range of instruments. Come and bring your children, they will be inspired. Entry is just £1. **For more information phone 030 3040 1445.**

E17 Jazz

Wednesday 30 July, 8.30–10.30pm
Orford House Social Club, 73 Orford Road, E17 9QR
The award winning E17 jazz collective presents concerts on the last Wednesday of each month featuring local musicians of national renown plus exciting guest stars in a relaxed jazz club setting. **For more information visit www.e17jazz.com/whatson.**

The Long Table

Thursdays; 17 July and 21 August, 7.30pm
William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 4PP
Two courses of modern summer dining savoured with featured craft ales as the sun sets over Lloyd Park, with private gallery view. **To book a place visit www.edibleexperiences.com/justhospitality or email Sarah Connor sarahconnor@justhospitality.co.uk.**

Children and young people

Leyton Parish Church Messy Church

Saturday 12 July, 10am – 12noon
35 Church Road, E10 5JP
For families with children and grandchildren aged three to 10 years. Come and experience Church in a fun and exciting way. With messy play, arts and craft, story time, games and lots more.

Acting Bugs

Every Friday, 9.50–11.30am
The Peterhouse Centre, 122 Forest Rise, E17 3PW
Acting Bugs and Diddy Bugs are drama groups for children aged three to four years and 18 months to three years lead by local TV actress and mum, Sam Seager, and children's author Shirani Bolle. The sessions introduce pre-school children to the world of drama in a fun and playful way, inspiring young imaginations through storytelling, movement, music, puppets and bubbles. Parents stay with their children through the session. Numbers strictly limited so please email or call to book your free taster session. **Email info@actingbugs.co.uk, visit www.actingbugs.co.uk or phone 07548 196 722.**

Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association Summer Transition Club

Monday 28 July to Friday 1 August, 10am–3pm
Forest School, Snaresbrook, E17 3PY
To get a taste of secondary school life, WFDA is hosting a free fun Summer Transition Club for Year 6 pupils with dyslexia/dyspraxia who are moving on to Year 7 in September. Book early as places are limited. **For more information visit www.wfda.org.uk, email Helen@wfa.org.uk or phone her on 07702 601 897.**

Children and Young People's Directory

Compiled by the Council's Early Intervention and Prevention Service (EIP), the CYPD is packed with useful information and guidance for all families including local support services, Ofsted registered childcare and a 'What's On' section with activities for all ages. **For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cypd**

Council Meetings

Tuesday 24 June
Cabinet, 2pm

Thursday 26 June
Audit and Governance Committee
Social Care Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 1 July
Planning Committee, 7pm

Wednesday 2 July
Pension Fund Committee

Thursday 3 July
Licensing Sub Committee, 7pm

All meetings are held at Waltham Forest Town Hall and start at 7.30pm unless stated otherwise.

Tell us what's on

Email your event details to:
walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk

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The deadline for 21 July edition is
Friday 4 July

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Thursday 3 July 2014, 6.15pm, Epicentre Community Centre, Cathall Road, E11 4LJ

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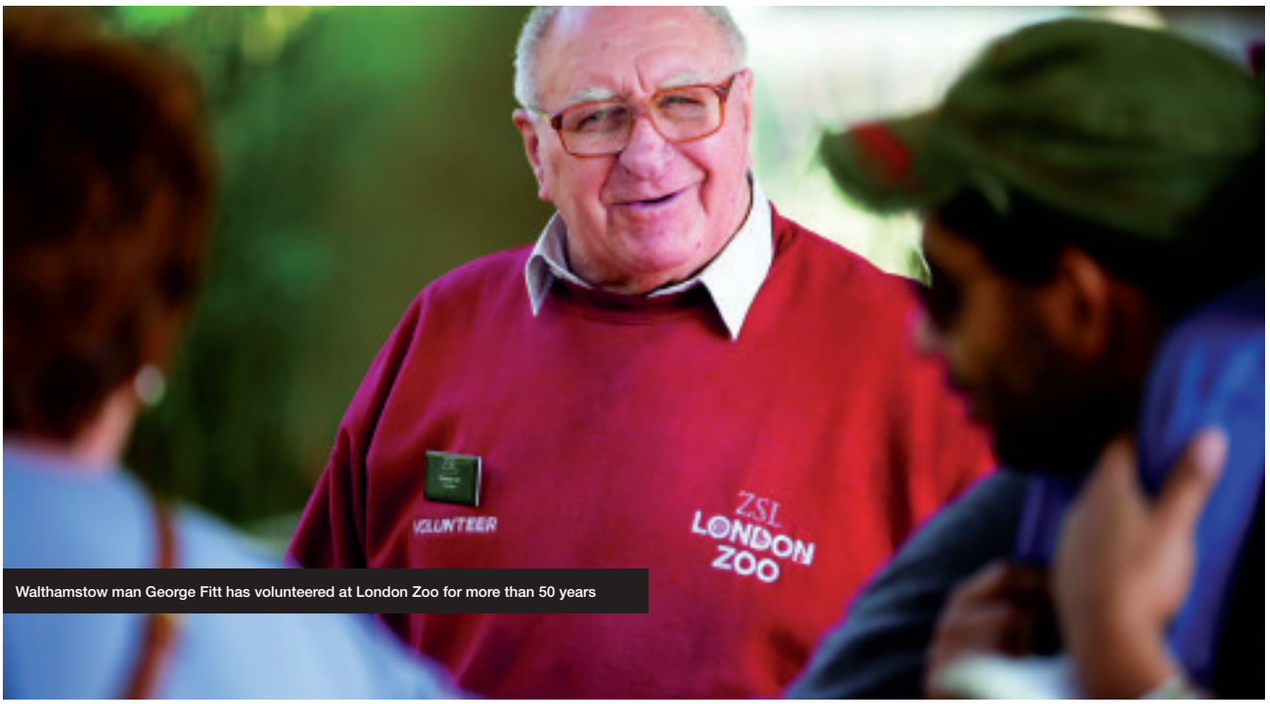

Walthamstow man George Fitt has volunteered at London Zoo for more than 50 years

Walthamstow resident is London Zoo's oldest volunteer

- **Feeding animals fruit from Walthamstow Market was George Fitt's passion**
- **Guy the Gorilla was his favourite animal**

A Walthamstow resident is London Zoo's oldest volunteer and remembers helping to feed the famous Guy the Gorilla, as well as other animals, such as chimpanzees and elephants.

George Fitt, 85, from Low Hall Lane, was recognised for his services to the zoo, when he was awarded a certificate by the Zoological Society of London (ZSL) two years ago. He has volunteered at the zoo for more than 50 years.

As avid animal lovers, George and his late wife Sheila volunteered at the mammals section in the 1960s and he is still there three days a week, helping visitors find their way and advising them not to tap on the glass enclosure in which three new rare tiger cubs reside.

George has lived in Waltham Forest since the early sixties and has seen the borough change dramatically. Previously, he was a coalman, making deliveries around the Hornsey Road area.

His volunteering began with a visit to the zoo with his late wife, which resulted in him feeding the gorillas fresh fruit that he'd just bought from Walthamstow Market. One of the keepers suggested he also become a zoo keeper, but George preferred to be a volunteer.

George told Waltham Forest News: "One of the keepers asked me where I got the fruit from as it was rare in those days and I told him Walthamstow Market. Guy the Gorilla had just arrived at the zoo and that was a big public event and they said I could feed him.

"The keepers took me in behind the glass and I fed him by hand and that's how it all started. Of course, no one is allowed to feed them now, it's all changed."

Having lived in the borough for over 50 years, George is well known in the local community. People often come around to see if he needs any help, but he remains fairly independent.

Walthamstow Market also brings back tender memories, including buying the fruit to feed the gorillas and having his wife come with him to collect it. Although his wife passed away 12 years ago, George is still keen to continue his work as a volunteer.

George added: "Everyone asks me when I'm going to retire, but I'm going to keep on volunteering as long as I can.

"I'm a regular at the market, it was one of the best 20 years ago, people knew each other well and everyone knew the market. There was plenty of fresh fruit and the stall owners used to ask me if I was going to the zoo and then give me the best fruit. I fed Guy the Gorilla bananas regularly."

Times have changed and most of the big animals now live at Whipsnade Zoo. The gorillas used to be in big cages but now have a much wider area to roam in. George helped out with the gorillas for over 15 years and still remembers them fondly.

He said: "Guy the Gorilla was the greatest animal that London Zoo ever had. Now there's a huge statue to commemorate him and the kids love to climb on it. When I heard that Guy had died, I felt really sad. It was a privilege to feed him."

In brief

Volunteers wanted

Walthamstow's volunteer-led community hub, The Mill (7-11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA), is looking for more volunteers to help keep the centre thriving. Now in its third year, The Mill is a space run by and for the local community which offers ever-changing art exhibitions, book loaning, a children's playroom and low-cost meeting rooms for hire. Whether you have two hours a week to spare or twenty, there is bound to be a way for you to get involved. Volunteering is an ideal way to find out more about your local community, meet new friends and learn new skills. The Mill is keen to find volunteers to help with general administration. This will include answering phones, dealing with queries, meeting and greeting visitors, updating notice boards, keeping the tea and coffee point tidy and well-stocked, setting up rooms for meetings, updating the weekly timetable and more. The Mill is also looking to recruit a paid volunteer coordinator.

• For more information visit www.themill-coppermill.org/about/volunteer or phone 020 8521 3211.

Red Imp Comedy Club

Residents feeling in need of a little comic relief will be happy to hear that the Red Imp Comedy Club is hosting a series of gigs over the next few weeks. All events take place at Ye Olde Rose and Crown Theatre Pub (53-55 Hoe Street, E17 4SA). Doors open at 8pm. A host of TV and radio stars will be performing works in progress, meaning you can see some top-quality comedy in an intimate venue. Performers include Russell Kane on Monday 30 June, Richard Herring and Grainne Maguire on Tuesday 1 July, Sean Hughes and Zoe Lyons on Wednesday 2 July, Phil Jupitus and Andrew Lawrence on Thursday 3 July, 2013 Edinburgh Comedy Award Winner Bridgett Christie and Paul F Taylor on Saturday 5 July, Paul Sinah and Shappi Khorsandi on Monday 7 July and Sean Walsh and Suzi Ruffell on Tuesday 8 July. Entry costs £12 to £15. Please note performers are subject to change at short notice.

• For more information visit www.redimpcomedy.com. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

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Tel: 020 8496 1061

Leyton Neighbourhood Learning Centre
3 The Square, High Road Leyton E10 5NR
Tel: 020 8496 1131

*** for details of the discount offer please visit our website or contact any of our centres.**

Health, wellbeing and beauty day

Pay £10 for the day and see how many treatments and tasters you can fit in!

Sunday 29 June 2014, 10am – 3pm

Indulge yourself!

Come along and try out some of the wide range of health and wellbeing courses run by Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service.

On the day you can try out:

- Indian head massage
- Massage
- Reflexology
- Sports massage therapy
- Tai Chi
- Shiatsu
- Acupressure
- Manicure
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- Hairstyling
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- Facial treatments
- Make-up
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- Food Safety

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Residents get arty and party

- **Creative residents rise to the challenge of exhibiting at Tate Modern**
- **Older residents living in care homes enjoy cocktail party**

This photo, taken by Claire Bendall from the Council's Adult Social Care Team, has been selected to feature in a national 2015 calendar.

Several residents with learning disabilities have had their artwork selected for a prestigious exhibition at the Tate Modern Gallery on the Southbank.

The residents, who attend 247 Markhouse Road day centre, worked together to create art based on this year's theme of 'Light and Dark'. Their inspirational work will be exhibited at the Tate Modern as part of Learning Disability Week 2014.

The artwork was selected by a judging panel of two independent artists and the access curator of the Tate Modern.

Waltham Forest's residents worked together on three exhibits. One, entitled 'Light of Hope' – is a sculpture created using balloons, string and glue.

'Chiaroscuro' is a photography project that was created in partnership with Kelmscott School and a short film, which will be shown at the Starr Auditorium, of a dance group that includes people with complex needs.

Melanie Impey, who manages the 247 Markouse Road Centre, told Waltham Forest News: "It's great that our residents have made it to the Tate, that's a real achievement in itself and shows the aspirations and talents that they have, despite their challenges."

And in other good news, two photos taken by Claire Bendall, from the Council's Adult Social Care team, have just been selected to feature in a national 2015 calendar produced by Community Care magazine.

The photos – which show adult social work in action – feature a gentleman with dementia cooking, and the one shown opposite of an older resident learning to use a laptop to make the most of modern technology.

A chance to mingle

Older residents living in care homes in the borough are also taking the plunge and stepping out of their comfort zones with the award-winning 'Cocktails in Care homes' parties – which aim to reduce loneliness and challenge ageist stereotypes.

The events, which started as a pilot in 2010, are run by arts charity, Magic Me. The charity aims to bring different generations together to build a stronger and safer community.

The project has already visited the George Mason Lodge care home in Chelmsford Road, Leytonstone twice and the parties will continue every month for the next year.

Enthusiastic residents took the opportunity to dress up and participate in evening activities and entertainment.

Resident Sheila Carter told Waltham Forest News: "It was a lovely party, the music was nice. I was enjoying myself so much, I would have liked it to go on forever. I can't wait until next month's party."

Elsie Lambert said: "I had a wonderful time and I enjoyed singing along to the music."

More info

For more information on the art exhibition visit **www.tate.org.uk/visit/tate-modern**. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough. For more information on Learning Disability support services visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk** and search 'learning disability services' or phone **020 8496 3000**.

In brief

Stay safe this summer

With the school holidays now just a month away, parents are being advised to seek travel health advice if they're planning to go abroad this summer.

Public Health England, the national body responsible for improving people's health, wants to make sure that families enjoy the summer, by getting the vaccinations and health advice they need before travelling.

Some infections, like malaria, typhoid and hepatitis, can be particularly serious for young children but are easily preventable with jabs and other medication before travel. Prevalent in certain countries, they can also lead to children needing lengthy amounts of time off school if they become unwell, to ensure the infection does not spread to classmates.

Between 2000 and 2012, over a thousand children under ten living in London caught malaria, an infection that can easily be avoided through preventative measures including tablets and insect repellent.

• For more information visit the National Travel Health Network and Centre's website www.nathnac.org/travel or speak to your GP.

Become a Dementia Friend

With dementia now affecting more people than ever, Alzheimer's Society Waltham Forest is calling on people to help raise awareness of the condition and make the borough more dementia friendly.

Working in partnership with local organisations, the charity needs volunteers to become a dementia friend or even a dementia champion to help dispel some of the misconceptions about the disease and encourage residents to think about how it affects people and their families.

To get involved, all you have to do is start by becoming a Dementia Friend.

A Dementia Friend is someone who has attended an information session and has committed to an action that will make the lives of people living with dementia a little better. Anyone can be a Dementia Friend and every action counts – from helping someone to find the right bus to spreading the word about dementia on social media.

Dementia Friends Champions are trained volunteers who encourage family, friends and colleagues to understand a little bit more about dementia, what it's like to live with dementia and then turn that understanding into action.

• For more information visit www.dementiafriends.org.uk or email alli.anthony@alzheimers.org.uk. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Waltham Forest Get Together

GET TOGETHER TO ENJOY ANOTHER BRILLIANT YEAR IN WALTHAM FOREST

FREE EVENT NO TICKET REQUIRED

Tour de France Family Fun Day

Sunday 6 July 2014, 1pm–6pm

Leyton Jubilee Park, Seymour Road E10 7BL

- Family fun day with British and French themed food and entertainment
- Sport including cycling, paralympic cycling, boules, petanque and polo
- Activities including a zip line, gyroscopes, pedal karts and climbing wall

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Leyton Big Weekender

SATURDAY 19 AND SUNDAY 20 JULY, 1PM–6PM

LEYTON CRICKET GROUND, CRAWLEY ROAD, LEYTON E10 6RJ

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Notices

THE MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS (APPROVED PREMISES) REGULATIONS 2005
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PREMISES TO BE APPROVED AS A VENUE FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

I Catherine Field of the London Borough of Waltham Forest

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I have made application to the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest under the provisions of the Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005 for the premises known as Walthamstow Assembly Hall to be approved for the solemnization of marriages in pursuance of Section 26(1)(bb) of the Marriage Act 1949 and the registration of civil partnerships in pursuance of section 6(3A)(a) of the Civil Partnership Act 2004.

1. The Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005 state that premises can be approved by the Council if, in their opinion, and amongst other things:

i) They are seemly, dignified and regularly available for civil marriages and civil partnerships;

ii) They have adequate fire precautions and other appropriate safety precautions; and,

iii) They are not used solely or mainly for religious purposes and have no recent or continuing use for religious purposes, which is incompatible with the use of the premises as a venue for civil marriages and civil partnerships.

2. Full details of the conditions and a copy of the Application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the offices of the Superintendent Registrar, at 106 Grove Road, Walthamstow, London, E17 4BY during normal office hours.

3. Any person wishing to object to the grant of approval may do so by giving notice in writing, with reasons for the objection to the Superintendent Registrar at 106 Grove Road, Walthamstow, London E17 4BY and which must be received within twenty one days of the date of this publication.

Planning

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST
TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010 – NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required.

APPL.NO 2014/1165
APPLICANT East Thames Housing Group
ADDRESS 71-81 Sutherland Road, and 8 St.Andrews's Road, Walthamstow London, E17 6BH
PROPOSAL Demolition of existing industrial buildings and construction of four new blocks (from 2 to 6 storey) comprising health centre (643sqm), 64 residential units (15 x 1bed, 42 x 2 bed) and 7 x 3 bedroom three storey houses with associated landscaping. Provision of parking, cycle and refuse areas.

The application is open to inspection by the Public at the offices of the Development Management, Sycamore House, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, London E17 4JF between the hours of 9.00a.m. – 5.00p.m. Monday to Friday. Any representations relating to the application should be made in writing to the Planning Division within 21 days of the date of this Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required.

APPL.NO 2014/1166
APPLICANT Waltham Forest Muslim Burial Trust
ADDRESS Muslim Burial Ground, Folly Lane, Walthamstow, E17 5NT
PROPOSAL Extension of muslim burial ground to include Gun site playing field.

The application is open to inspection by the Public at the offices of the Development Management, Sycamore House, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, London E17 4JF between the hours of 9.00a.m. – 5.00p.m. Monday to Friday. Any representations relating to the application should be made in writing to the Planning Division within 21 days of the date of this Notice.

Dated this day 23 June 2014
David Scourfield – Head of Development Management
On Behalf of London Borough of Waltham Forest

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (LOCAL PLANNING) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012
CANCELLATION OF HEARING SESSIONS
WALTHAM FOREST LOCAL PLAN
BLACKHORSE LANE AREA ACTION PLAN

Notice is hereby given that the examination public hearing sessions scheduled for Tuesday 24th June 2014 on the Waltham Forest Local Plan Blackhorse Lane Area Action Plan have been cancelled, due to no participants wishing to be heard in person.

The examination will now continue by written representation only.

Up to date information about the examination can be found on the Council's Blackhorse Lane Area Action Plan examination pages: http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/Pages/ServiceChild/aap-blackhorse-lane.aspx

Further information about the examination can be obtained from the Programme Officer, Ms Andrea Copsey, on 07842 643988, or andrea.copsey@walthamforest.gov.uk.

Licensing

Licensing Act 2003:
Application for the Grant of a Premises License
Notice of application for the grant of a Premises License under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Notice is hereby given that Greenwich Leisure Limited has applied to the London Borough of Waltham Forest for the grant of a Premises License at Drapers Field. The nature of the application is as follows:

To permit the sale of alcohol/regulated entertainment/late night refreshments during the hours of Monday to Friday 10am-10pm and Weekend from 9am-6pm.

The Licensing register listing full details of the application is kept by the Licensing Service, Sycamore House, Walthamstow Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 4SU. The application may be viewed Monday to Friday between the hours of 9am – 5pm (except Bank Holidays).

Any person wishing to make a representation in respect of the above activities may do so in writing to the Licensing Service, Sycamore House, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, London E17 4SU.

Representations must be received no later than 8th July 2014.

It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with this application. The maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000.

Highways

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)
THE WALTHAM FOREST (CLEVELAND PARK AVENUE – HIGH STREET ARCADE DEVELOPMENT AND VARIOUS ROADS) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING AND SUSPENSION OF ROAD CLOSURE) (NO. 1) ORDER 2014 – (TT9b)

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that it intends to make an Order to enable essential movement of vehicles to and from a works site and for necessary highway remarking works, all to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in various roads. The general effect of the Order would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) in certain roads.

2. Whilst the safe passage of vehicles is being carried out, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in **Cleveland Park Avenue** between its junction with Hatherley Road E17 and a point outside the common boundary of Nos. 37 and 39 Cleveland Park Avenue (*this restriction coincides with The Waltham Forest (High Street Arcade) (Temporary Prohibition, Restriction on Waiting and Loading , Suspension of One-Way Working and Weight Prohibition) (No.1) order 2014 which restricts waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) in Cleveland Park Avenue between High Street and Nos. 37/39 Cleveland Park Avenue).*

3. Whilst necessary highway remarking is being carried out no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose, at any time in the roads or specific locations within roads listed in the Schedule to this Notice.

4. Whilst the safe passage of vehicles is being carried out The Waltham Forest (Prescribed Routes) (No. 8) Experimental Traffic Order 2013 in relation to the experimental road closure in Cleveland Park Avenue shall be temporarily suspended only during such time to allow the passage of vehicles to and from the works site.

5. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.

6. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used:

(a) in connection with the said works in the roads or parts of road mentioned in the Schedule to this notice; or

(b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency in all cases.

7. The Order would come into operation on **7th July 2014** and would be valid until the 31 March 2015 or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

Dated 23rd June 2014
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

Schedule

Albany Road E10 – all, **Alpha Road E4** – all, **Burwell Road E10** – all, **Fulbourne Road E17** – all, **Hainault Road E11** – all, **Lindley Road E10** – all, **Normanton Park E4** – all, **Priory Avenue E4** – all, **Salisbury Road E4** – all, **Shernhall Street E17** – all, **Sutherland Road E17** – all, **The Charter Road IG8** – all, **Woodberry Way E4** – all.

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest ("the Council") hereby gives notice that it proposes to make an order under Section 247 of the above Act to authorise the stopping up of the following areas of public highway which are shown hatched red on the plan attached to the draft order:

(1) The area of public highway on Cart Lane E4 situated between and to the rear of 18 and 24 Garfield Road, London, E4 7DG formed of a tapered triangular shaped area measuring lengths of 10 metres x 10 metres with a width of 2 metres.

IF THE ORDER IS MADE, the stopping up will be authorised only in order to enable development described in the Schedule to this notice to be carried out in accordance with the planning permission granted to Higgins Homes PLC by the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on 28 May 2013 under reference 2012/1495.

COPIES OF THE DRAFT ORDER AND THE RELEVANT PLANS MAY BE INSPECTED during normal office hours for 28 days commencing on 23rd June 2014 at (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; and (b) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS free of charge

ANY PERSON MAY OBJECT to the making of the proposed order within the period of 28 days commencing on 23rd June 2014 by written statement to Legal and Democratic Services, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, London, E17 4JF (Ref: EPR.549).

In preparing an objection it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be imparted to other persons who may be affected by it and that those persons may wish to communicate with the objector about it.

Dated: 23rd June 2014
MR. K. VALAVAN, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

THE SCHEDULE

Residential redevelopment – terrace of 8x3 bedroom, two storey houses with dormer windows and rooms in roof, private gardens and parking at rear

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(a) The area of public highway known as Forest Road, E17 (part of) and is formed of one rectangular shaped area measuring a distance of 4.5 metres and a width of 3 metres. The area is adjacent to 287 Forest Road, E17 6HD

IF THE ORDER IS MADE, the stopping up will be authorised only in order to enable development described in the Schedule to this notice to be carried out in accordance with the planning permission granted to Dr Jaswant Singh by the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on 27 October 2008 under reference 2008/1543.

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ANY PERSON MAY OBJECT to the making of the proposed order within the period of 28 days commencing on 23 June 2014 by written statement to Legal and Democratic Services, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, London, E17 4JF (Ref: EPR.569).

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Dated: 23 June 2014
MR. K. VALAVAN, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

THE SCHEDULE

Erection of 2 storey building comprising ground floor shop and 1x1 bed self-containment over.

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Start your new career – Foster

Fostering provides homes for children who are temporarily unable to live with their own families. Could you offer love, care and stability to a child who may have had a difficult start in life? Fostering a child could be one of the most extraordinary and rewarding things you do.

Pat began fostering with her partner Tom over four years ago.

'We work with a good bunch of people in Waltham Forest, it's a real team effort. The training and the close mentoring equips us to do the best for each child. To cater for all a child's needs and show them the love and affection they need and deserve. What's the best thing about fostering? Seeing the children progress and become themselves, it's joyous.'

Who can foster?

In Waltham Forest we believe that all kinds of people, no matter their ethnicity, culture or religion, can help make a positive difference to a child's life.

We are looking for people from all backgrounds who have space in their home.

We need 50 more carers, could you be one?

You don't have to be married or even own your own home to become a foster carer. You can be living with a partner, be single, lesbian, gay, or a same sex couple. You could live in council, housing association or privately rented accommodation.

Pat's partner Tom says

'A child is not looking to see what background you come from, they are looking for love and support, that you are there to help them grow.'

'A lot of people worry that they may not be able to foster because they are single, they are lesbian or gay but anyone can do it, put yourself forward, go for it!'

Meet us to find out about the professional fee and allowances you will receive for each child you look after. You could receive up to **£423 per week/per child.**

Discover how our other services – teachers, nurses, support staff, carer groups and men's groups, are there to support you and your family in your task.

For more information please contact a member of our fostering team:

T: **0208 496 3668**
E: **fostering@walthamforest.gov.uk**
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/fostering

Come and meet us:

3rd July
Town Square
Walthamstow
10 – 3pm

4th July
Leyton Library
10 – 4pm

10th July
Town Square
Walthamstow
10 – 3pm

11th July
Leyton Library
10 – 4pm

17th July
Town Square
Walthamstow
10 – 3pm

18th July
Leyton Library
10 – 4pm

21st July
Town Hall
Information
Session
6.30 – 8pm

29th July
Queens Road
Learning Centre
10 – 3pm

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84%

84 per cent of our primary schools are now rated by Ofsted as 'Good' or 'Outstanding'

Libby, Year 1

I really like being in Mrs Bennett's class. I like it best when we do gluing and painting. I like it when we do games too. Mrs Bennett tells us lots of stories. My favourite is the one about little Red Riding Hood.

Mrs Bennett
Class teacher

Motivation is the key to helping children achieve their best. Understanding them really well as individuals and listening to them is very important.

What I value the most about working in Waltham Forest, other than the wonderful children and parents, is the huge amount of dedication and fantastic team spirit amongst the staff. It is extremely rewarding to work alongside people who are passionate about what they do.

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87%

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Alexandru, Year 9

Mr Spafford always makes lessons fun and he has lots of interesting stories to tell us which makes it easier to learn. It is because of Mr Spafford that I started to enjoy History as a subject.

Mr Spafford
History teacher

There is a solidarity amongst young people to support each other to learn and experience. Watching them grow and playing a small part in that is a huge privilege.

My most memorable moment was when a group of 28 year old ex-students told me that a project we did when they were 12 still influences them.

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